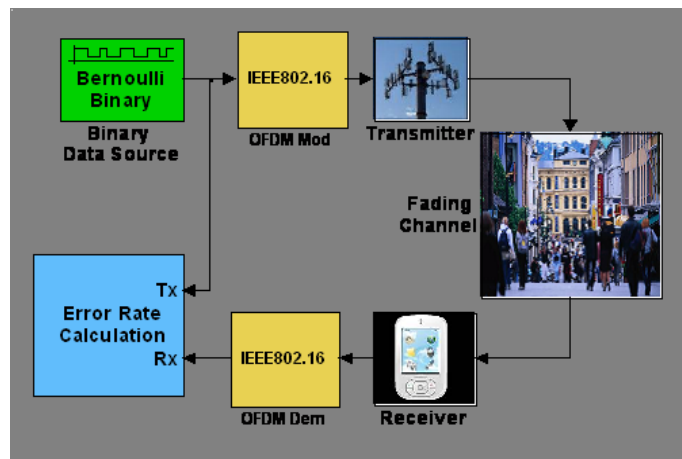


# Wireless Communications with Matlab and Simulink: IEEE802.16 (WiMax) Physical Layer



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# Introduction to IEEE 802.16 and WiMax

Existing “Area Networks” for wireless communications:

- **Personal** (PAN), up to a few meters. It requires simple “thumb like” transmitters receivers. Typical: Bluetooth.
- **Local** (LAN), up to 300m. It requires simple “box like” devices. Typical: WiFi (IEEE802.11)
- **Wide** (WAN), up to a few miles. It requires towers and cellular technology. Typical: W-CDMA, CDMA 2000, UMTS ...

IEEE 802.16 (WiMax) are possible future technologies for WAN.

## IEEE 802.16 and WiMax

- IEEE802.16 is a standard for Broadband Wireless Access (BWA) Air Interface. It is purely technical (not commercial);
- “The [WiMAX Forum®](http://www.wimaxforum.org) is an industry-led, not-for-profit organization formed to certify and promote the compatibility and interoperability of broadband wireless products based upon the harmonized IEEE 802.16/ETSI HiperMAN standard. A WiMAX Forum goal is to accelerate the introduction of these systems into the marketplace. WiMAX Forum Certified™ products are fully interoperable and support broadband fixed, portable and mobile services. Along these lines, the WiMAX Forum works closely with service providers and regulators to ensure that WiMAX Forum Certified systems meet customer and government requirements” (from the WiMax website [www.wimaxforum.org](http://www.wimaxforum.org))

## Current WAN Technologies for Voice and Data

**3G:** CDMA2000 and UMTS. All based on Spread Spectrum

**3.5G:** increased capacity by combining CDMA with TDM (Time Division Multiplexing). Voice and Data on separate channels. Current technology;

**4G :** to provide voice, data, multimedia services at low cost on an all IP (packets) network. IEEE802.16 (WiMax) is one of the technologies considered.

TODAY: voice and data on separate networks;

TOMORROW: voice and data on the same network. Data using Voice Over IP (VoIP). Advantages: flexibility, control of QoS, scalable.

## Evolution of IEEE802.16:

802.16	Dec 2001	10-66GHz	Fixed, LOS	Single Carrier
802.16-2004	June 2004	2-11GHz	Fixed, NOLOS	SC, 256 OFDM, 2048 OFDMA
802.16e-2005	Dec 2005	2-6GHz	Fixed, Mobile, NOLOS	SC, 256OFDM, 128, 512, 1024, 2048 OFDMA

In addition, IEEE802.16-2004 and 2005 have options based on Multi Antennas techniques.

# Introduction to Simulink

- Matlab based
- Both Continuous Time and Discrete Time Simulation
- Based on Blocksets
- Model Based Design: a software model of the environment can be developed and the design can be tested by simulation
- Transition between “ideal” algorithms (infinite precision, floating point) to “real world” algorithms (finite precision, fixed point);
- Automatic Code Generation: once the design is tested and validated, real time code can be automatically generated for the target platform
- Continuous Test and Verification



## **Advantages (from the MathWorks slide)**

### **Innovation**

- **Rapid design iterations**
- **“What-if” studies**
- **Unique features and differentiators**

### **Quality**

- **Reduce design errors**
- **Minimize hand coding errors**
- **Unambiguous communication internally and externally**

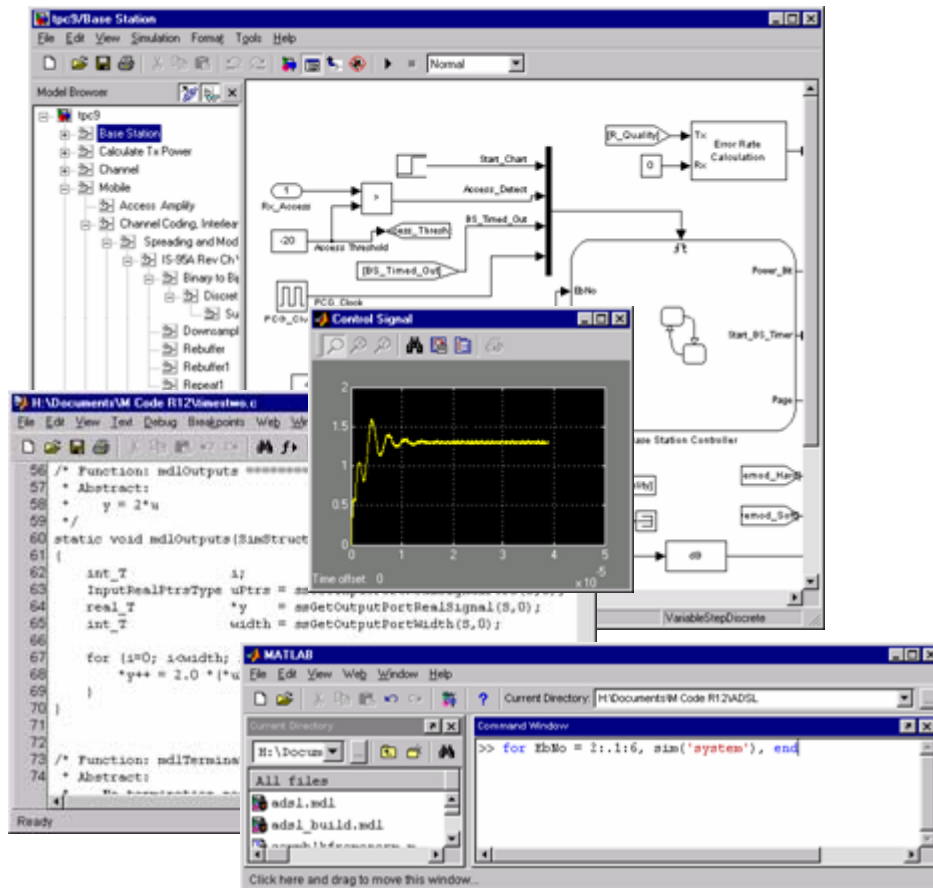
### **Cost**

- **Reduce expensive physical prototypes**
- **Reduce re-work**
- **Reduce testing**

### **Time-to-market**

- **Get it right the first time**

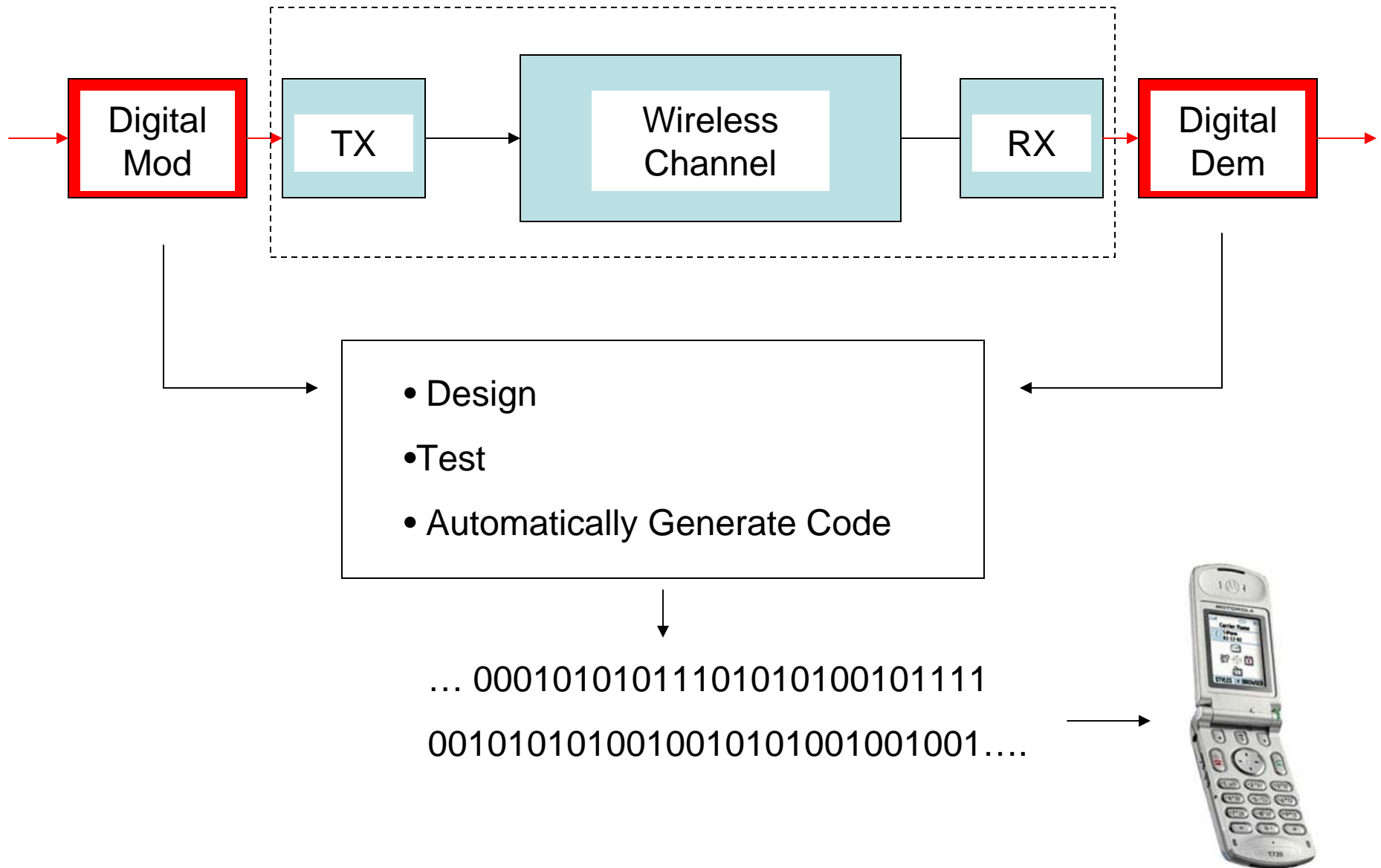
# Simulink



- Hierarchical block diagram design and simulation tool
  - Built-in notions of time and concurrency
- Digital, analog/mixed signal and event driven
- Visualize Signals
- Co-develop with C code
- Integrated with MATLAB

## Example

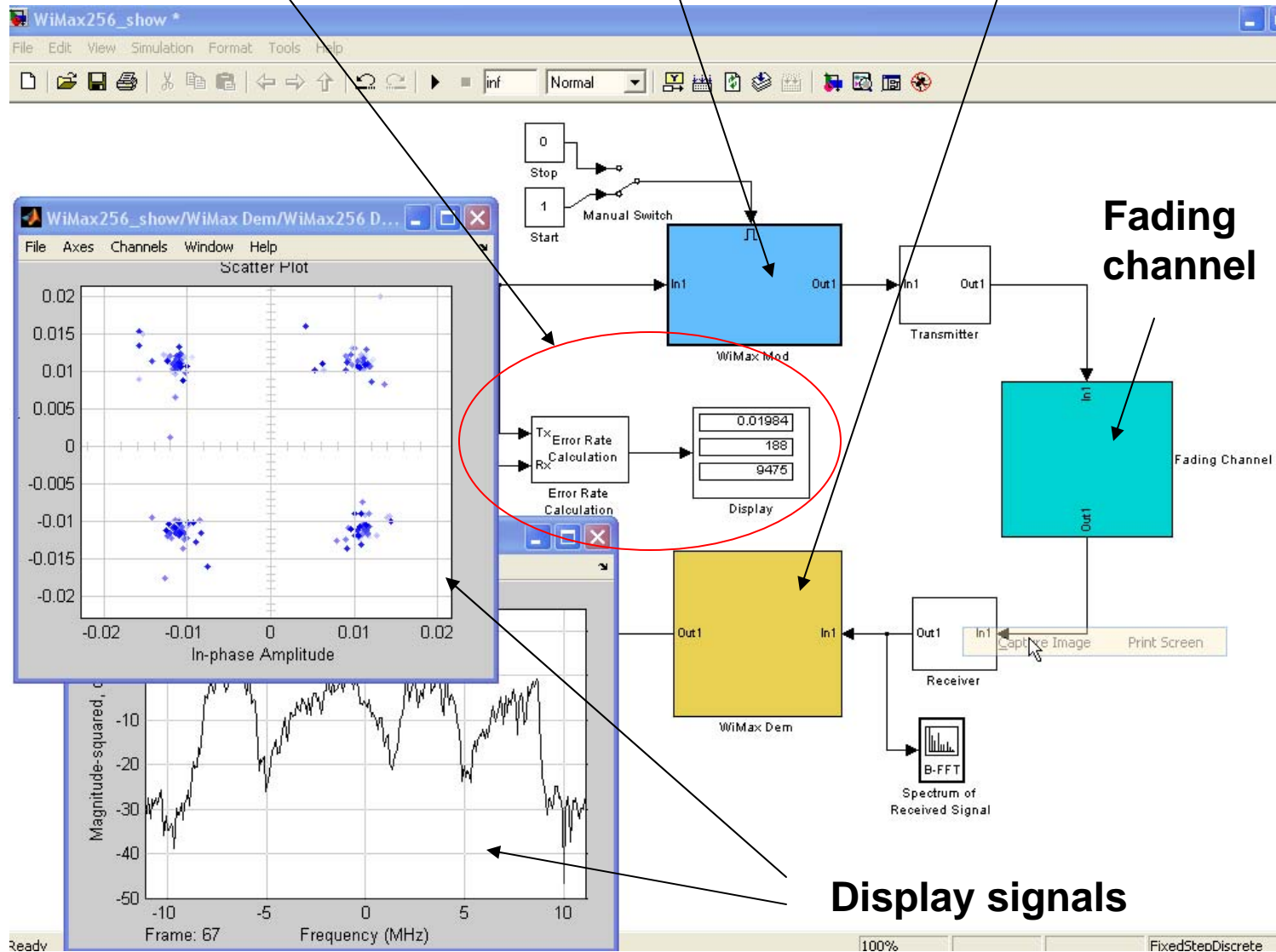
### Simulink Model



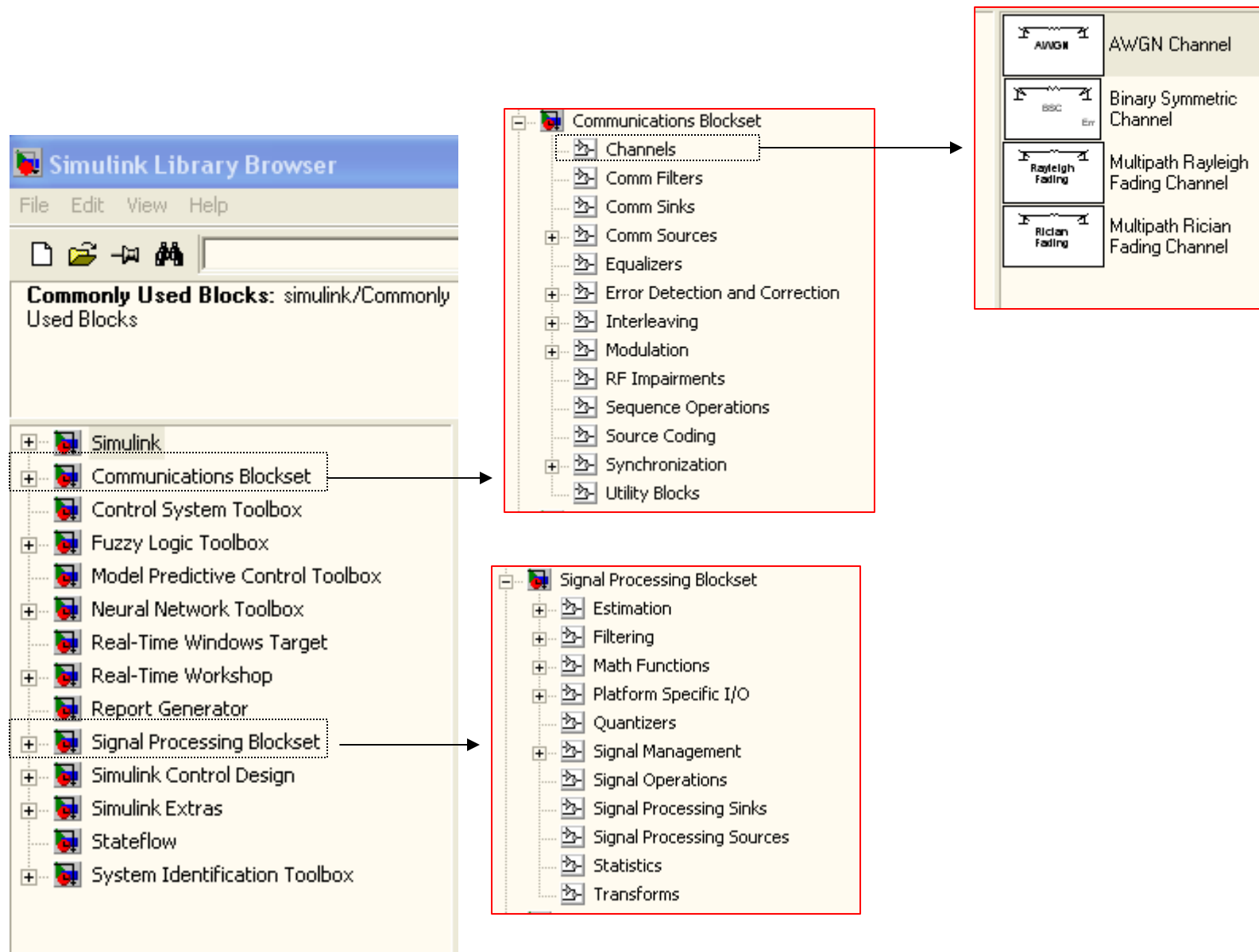
## Compute Errors

## Modulator

## Demodulator



## Simulink has a very rich library of blocksets:



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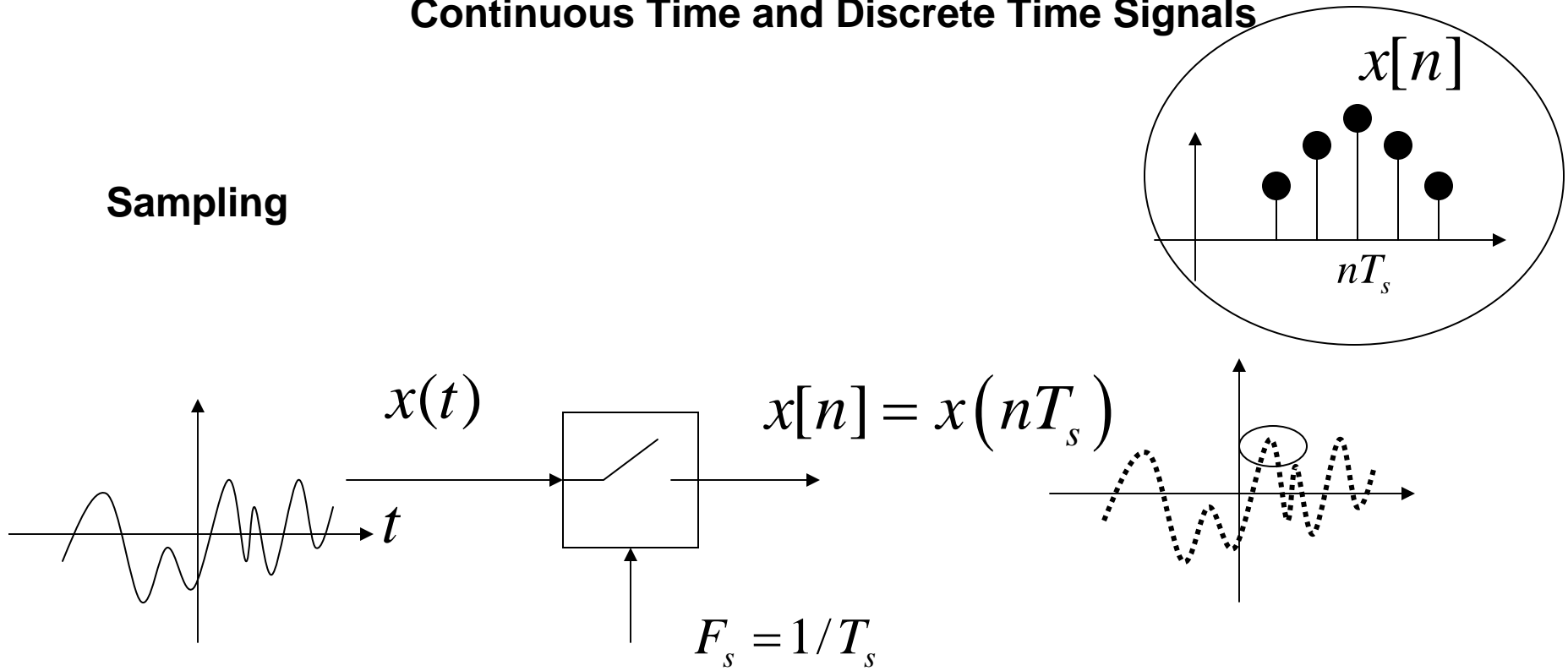
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3. Convolution and Correlation

# 1. Discrete Time Signals

1. Continuous Time to Discrete Time
2. Fundamental Signals: Delta Function, Sinusoid, Complex Exponential

## Continuous Time and Discrete Time Signals

### Sampling



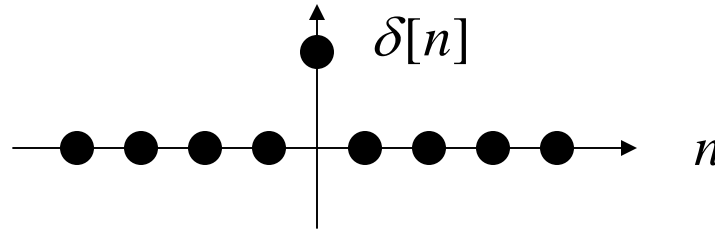
$F_s$  Sampling frequency (Hz=1/sec)

$T_s$  Sampling interval (sec)



## Fundamental Discrete Time Signals

1. “Delta” or “Impulse”



2. Sinusoid

phase

$$x[n] = A \cos(2\pi F_0 t + \alpha) \Big|_{t=nT_s} = A \cos(\omega_0 n + \alpha)$$

amplitude

Frequency (Hz)

$$\omega_0 = 2\pi \frac{F_0}{F_s}$$

Digital Frequency (radians)

Example:  $F_s = 10kHz$

$$x[n] = 10 \cos(4,000\pi t + 0.1) \Big|_{t=nT_s} = 10 \cos(\omega_0 n + 0.1)$$

Digital frequency:

$$\begin{matrix} F_0 = 2kHz \\ F_s = 10kHz \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \omega_0 = 2\pi \frac{2,000Hz}{10,000Hz} = \frac{2\pi}{5} rad$$

Generate it in matlab: **plot\_a\_sinusoid.m**

`n=0:100;`   ←   `n=[0,1,2,...,100]`

`A=10;`

`w0=2*pi/5;`

`alpha=0.1;`

`x=A*cos(w0*n+alpha);`   ←   `x=[10*cos(0.1), ... , 10*cos((2*pi/5)*100+0.1)]`

`plot(x);`

### 3. Complex Exponentials

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] &= Ae^{j(\omega_0 n + \alpha)} = \left( Ae^{j\alpha} \right) e^{j\omega_0 n} \\ &= \underbrace{A \cos(\omega_0 n + \alpha)}_{\text{Real Part}} + j \underbrace{A \sin(\omega_0 n + \alpha)}_{\text{Imaginary Part}} \end{aligned}$$

where  $j = \sqrt{-1}$  imaginary basis

Then a sinusoid becomes the “real part” of a complex signal

$$A \cos(\omega_0 n + \alpha) = \text{Re} \left\{ Ae^{j(\omega_0 n + \alpha)} \right\}$$

## Sinusoids and Frequency Spectrum

Complex exponentials are the “building blocks” of signals and systems.

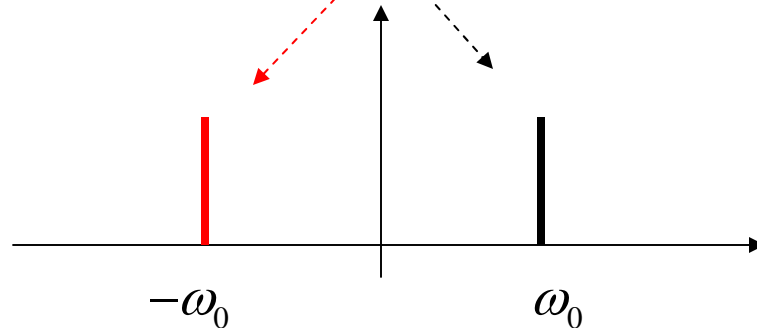
Reasons: all operations of interest boil down to multiplications or divisions

A sinusoid in terms of complex exponentials can also be written as

$$A \cos(\omega_0 n + \alpha) = \frac{A}{2} e^{j(\omega_0 n + \alpha)} + \frac{A}{2} e^{-j(\omega_0 n + \alpha)}$$

with two frequencies:

positive and **negative**



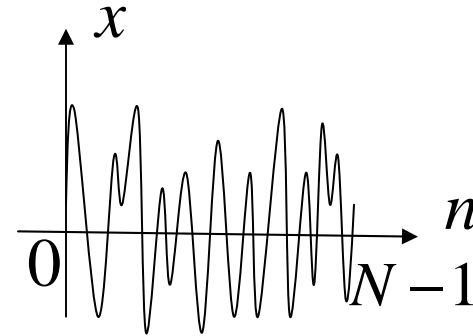
# The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) and its Inverse (IFFT)

1. Definitions
2. Examples
3. Computation in Matlab
4. Symmetry

# The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

Given a finite sequence of data

$$x[n], n = 0, \dots, N-1$$



1. Define the FFT

$$X = FFT\{x\}$$

where

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

2. ... and the IFFT (Inverse FFT)

$$x = IFFT\{X\}$$

where

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \quad n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

Meaning:

$$X[k], k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

is the component of the spectrum due to frequency

$$F = k \frac{F_s}{N}$$

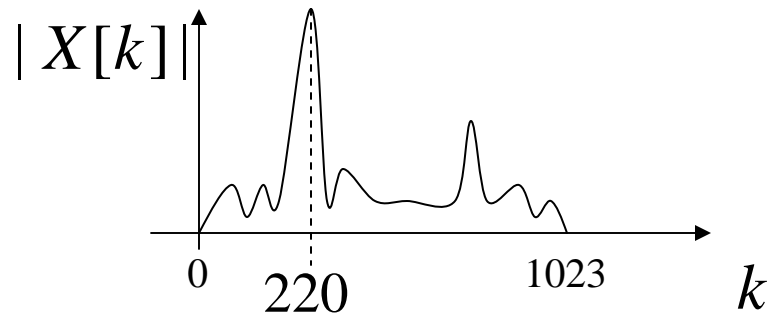
← sampling frequency  
← data length

Example:

Let

$$F_s = 10kHz$$

$$N = 1024$$



$$F = 220 \frac{10}{1024} kHz = 2.15 kHz$$

Example: **example\_of\_fft.m**

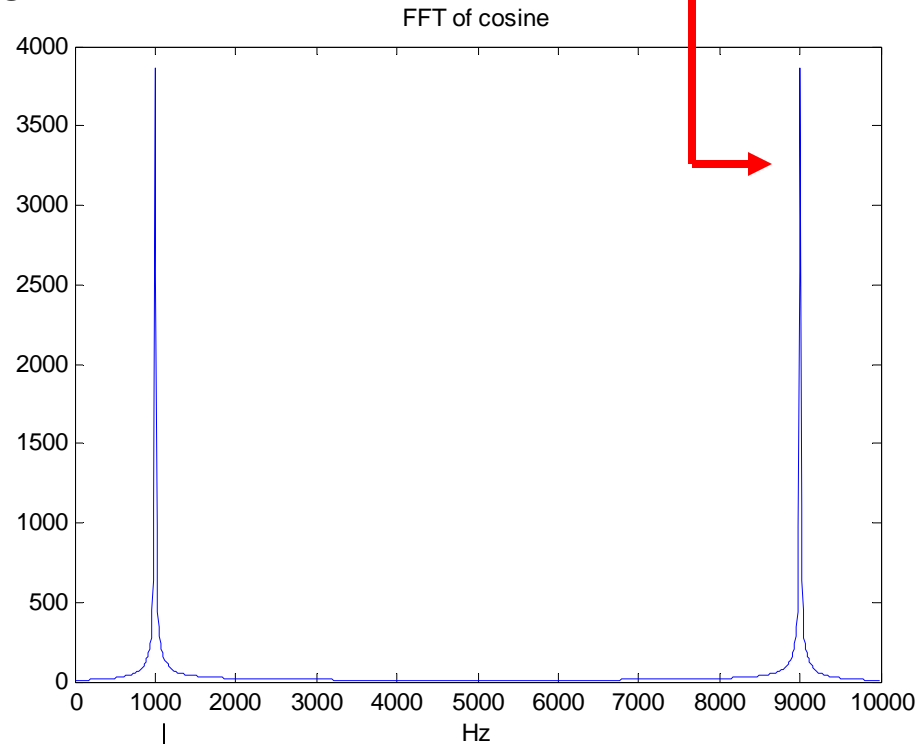
Data length  $N=1024$ ;

Sampling Frequency  $F_s=10\text{kHz}$

$X=\text{fft}(x)$ ;

$k=0:1023$ ;  $f=k*F_s/N$ ; % frequency axis

$\text{plot}(f,\text{abs}(X))$  →



← Freq. = 1kHz

This corresponds to the  
“negative frequency”  
(disregard)

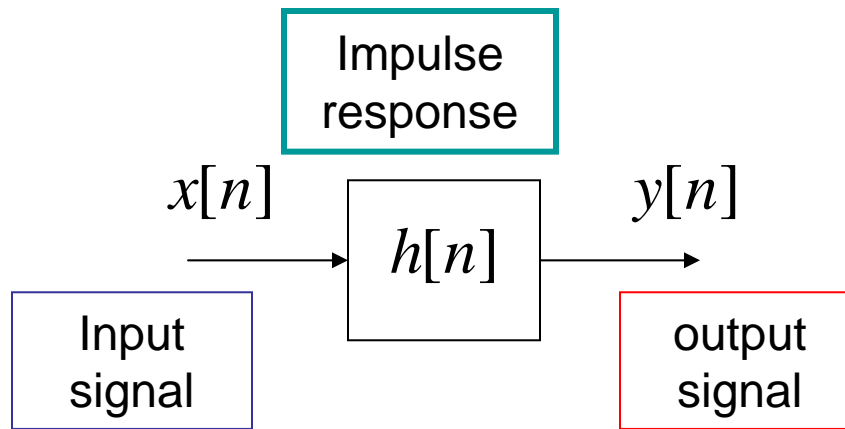


# Convolution and Correlation

1. Convolution as system response
2. Autocorrelation of data
3. Crosscorrelation between data sets
4. Estimation of Impulse Response using Crosscorrelation

## Operations of Interest

**1. Convolution.** To compute the output of a Linear Time Invariant system

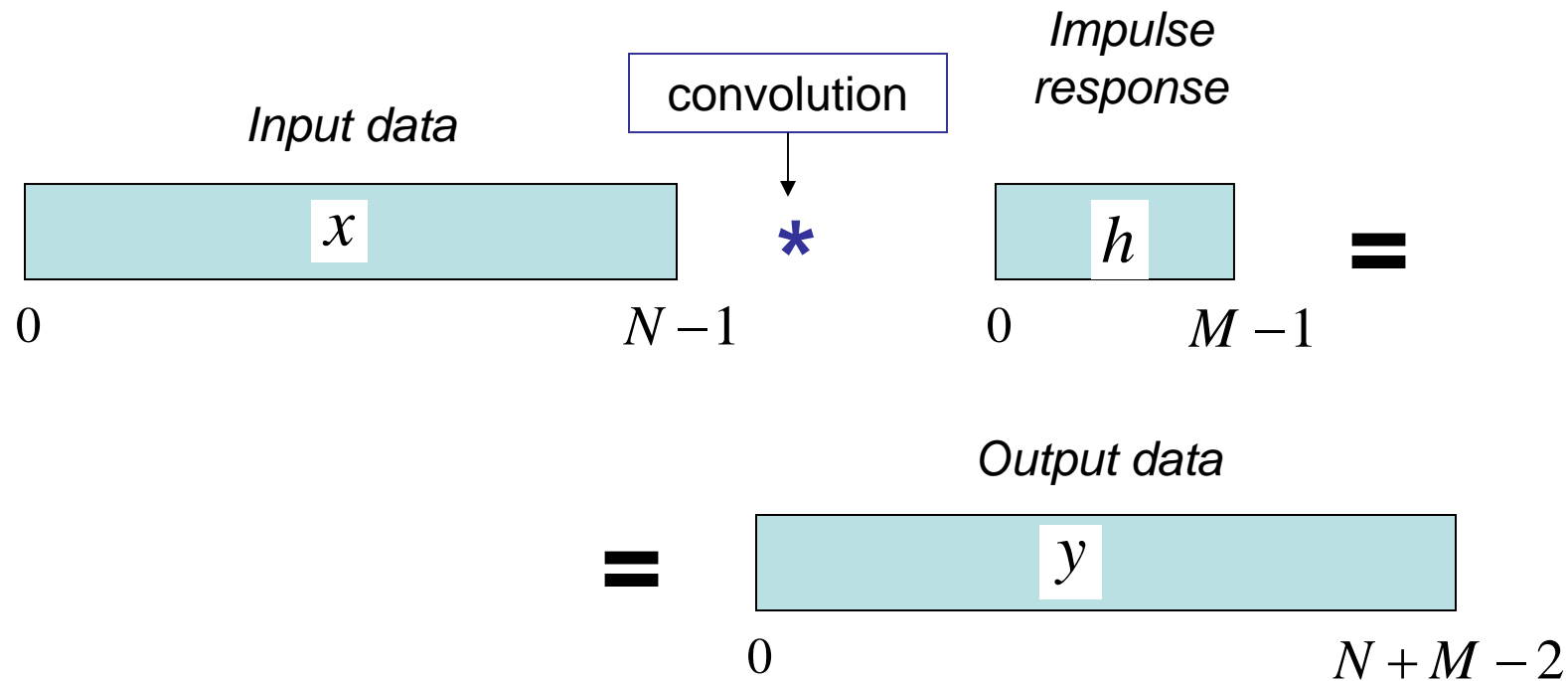


Definition of Convolution:

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[\ell]x[n-\ell]$$

In general you deal with sequences of finite length

$$y[n] = h[0]x[n] + h[1]x[n-1] + h[2]x[n-2] + \dots + h[M-1]x[n-M+1]$$



In matlab:

Let

1.  $h$  be the vector of impulse response;
2.  $x$  be the input vector

Then the output vector

$y = \text{conv}(h, x);$

Example: **convolution\_of\_finite\_sequences.m**

```
h=[1,0,0,0.5,0,-0.2,0,0.1];           % impulse response
n=0:200;  x=2*cos(0.1*pi*n);           % input signal
y=conv(h,x);                           % output signal
plot(y)
```

## 2. Auto Correlation.

For a signal with zero mean, to see if the samples are “correlated” with each other

Definition of Auto Correlation: 
$$r_x[m] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n]x^*[n-m]$$

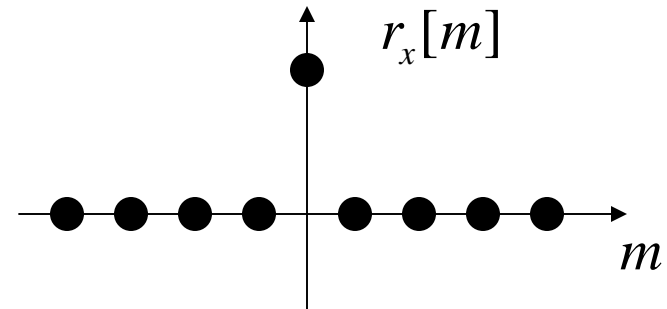
Again, you deal with signals of finite length

$$x[n], n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

$$r_x[m] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]x^*[n-m], \quad m = -N+1, \dots, N-1$$

**Example:** White Noise with standard deviation  $\sigma_x$

$$r_x[m] = \begin{cases} \sigma_x^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |x[n]|^2, & \text{if } m = 0 \\ \approx 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



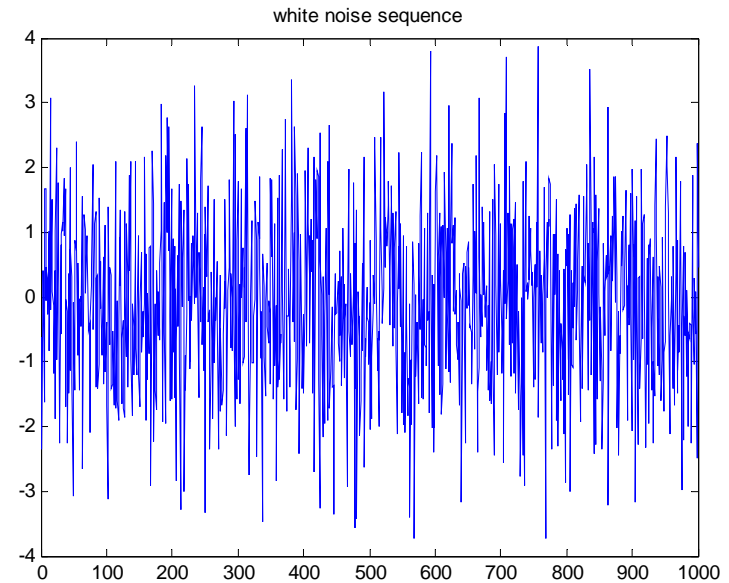
## Example: `xcorr_of_white_noise.m`

`% data`

`sigx=sqrt(2)`

`x=sigx*randn(1,1000);`

`plot(x);` →



`% autocorrelation`

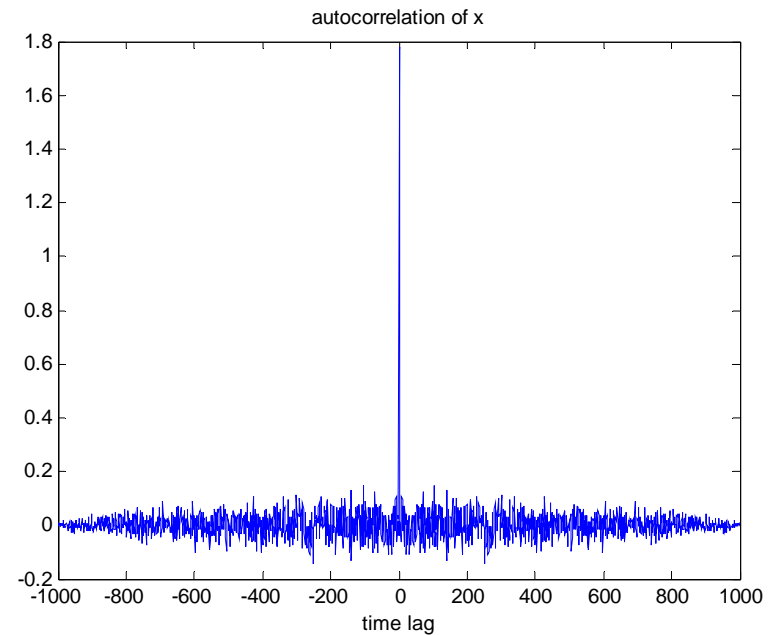
`N=length(x);`

`rx=xcorr(x)/N;`

`max_lag=length(x)-1;`

`m=-max_lag:max_lag;`

`plot(m,rx)` →



## 2. Cross Correlation.

To see if two signals are “correlated” with each other

$$r_{yx}[m] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} y[n]x^*[n-m]$$

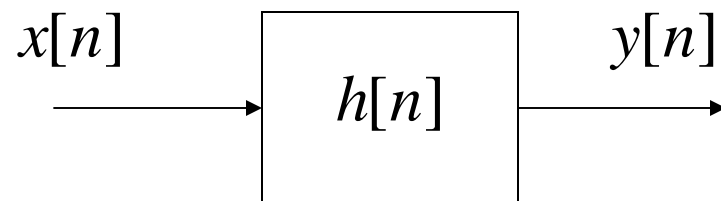
With finite length signals:

$$x[n], n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

$$y[n], n = 0, \dots, M-1$$

$$r_{yx}[m] = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{n=0}^{M-1} y[n]x^*[n-m], m = -\max(N, M) + 1, \dots, \max(N, M) - 1$$

**Case of Interest:** estimation of the impulse response of a Linear Time Invariant system from input-output data



If  $x[n]$  is white noise, then  $h[n] = r_{yx}[n] / r_x[0]$



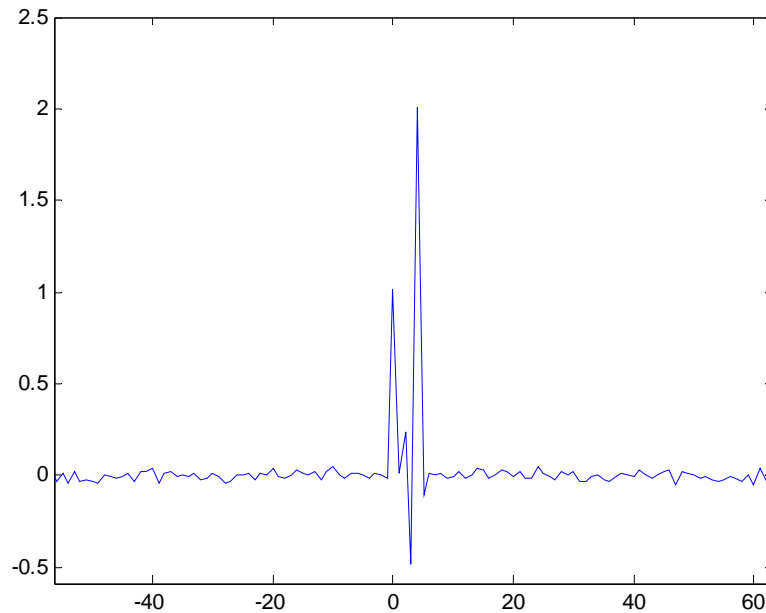
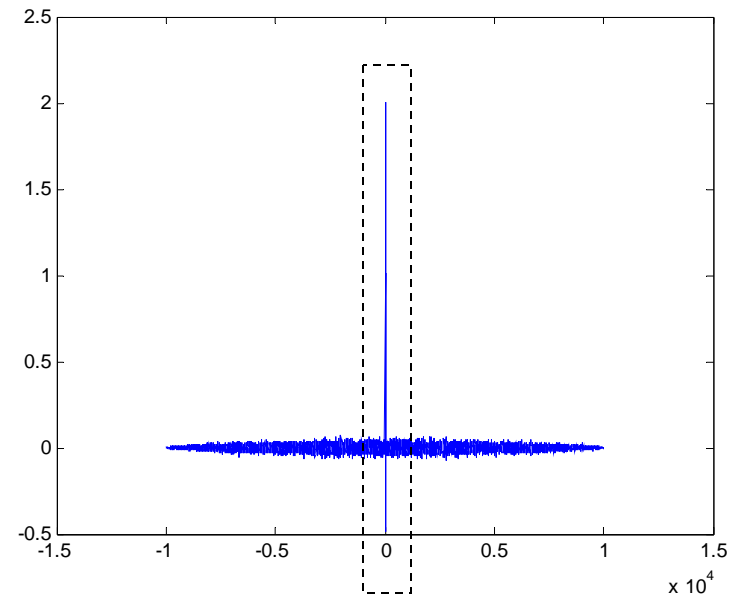
## Example: `impulse_response_with_xcorr.m`

```
h=[1, 0, 0.2, -0.5, 2, -0.1]; % impulse response
```

```
y=conv(h,x);
```

```
ryx=xcorr(y,x) /length(y)
```

```
h_est=ryx/ryx(length(x));
```



←  
zoom in

# **Lab 1: Introduction to DSP and Matlab**

## **A. Sinusoids and the FFT:**

1. Generate a sinusoidal signal of a given frequency
2. Check its frequency spectrum

## **B. White Noise, Convolution, Correlation:**

1. Generate a white noise signal with a given covariance
2. Determine the output of a given Linear Time Invariant System
3. From the input-output data, estimate the impulse response of the system

## A. Sinusoids and the FFT:

**A.1** Generate a sinusoid with the following parameters and plot it vs time:

Amplitude	$A = 5.0$
Frequency	$F_0 = 5.0 \text{ kHz}$
Sampling Frequency	$F_s = 15.0 \text{ kHz}$
Phase	$\alpha = 30^\circ$
Length	128 samples

Reference: **plot\_a\_sinusoid.m**

**A.2** Take the FFT of the sinusoid you generated, plot its magnitude (absolute value), and verify that you obtain the frequency you expect.

Reference: **example\_of\_fft.m**

## B. White Noise, Convolution, Correlation:

1. Generate a gaussian white noise signal with the following parameters:

Standard Deviation  $\sigma_x = 5$

Length  $N = 10,000$  data points

Plot its autocorrelation and verify that it is as expected.

2. This signal is the input to a system with impulse response

$$h = [1, 0, -2, 0.5, 0, 0, 0, 0.3]$$

Determine the output sequence and verify that the crosscorrelation between input and output is a good estimate of the impulse response of the system.

Reference: **impulse\_response\_with\_xcorr.m**

## 2. Digital Communications Fundamentals and the Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) Channel

1. *General Structure of a Digital Communication System*
2. *Channel Losses and Noise*
3. *Complex Baseband Representation*
4. *Bit Error Probabilities*
5. *Simulink Implementation*

### References:



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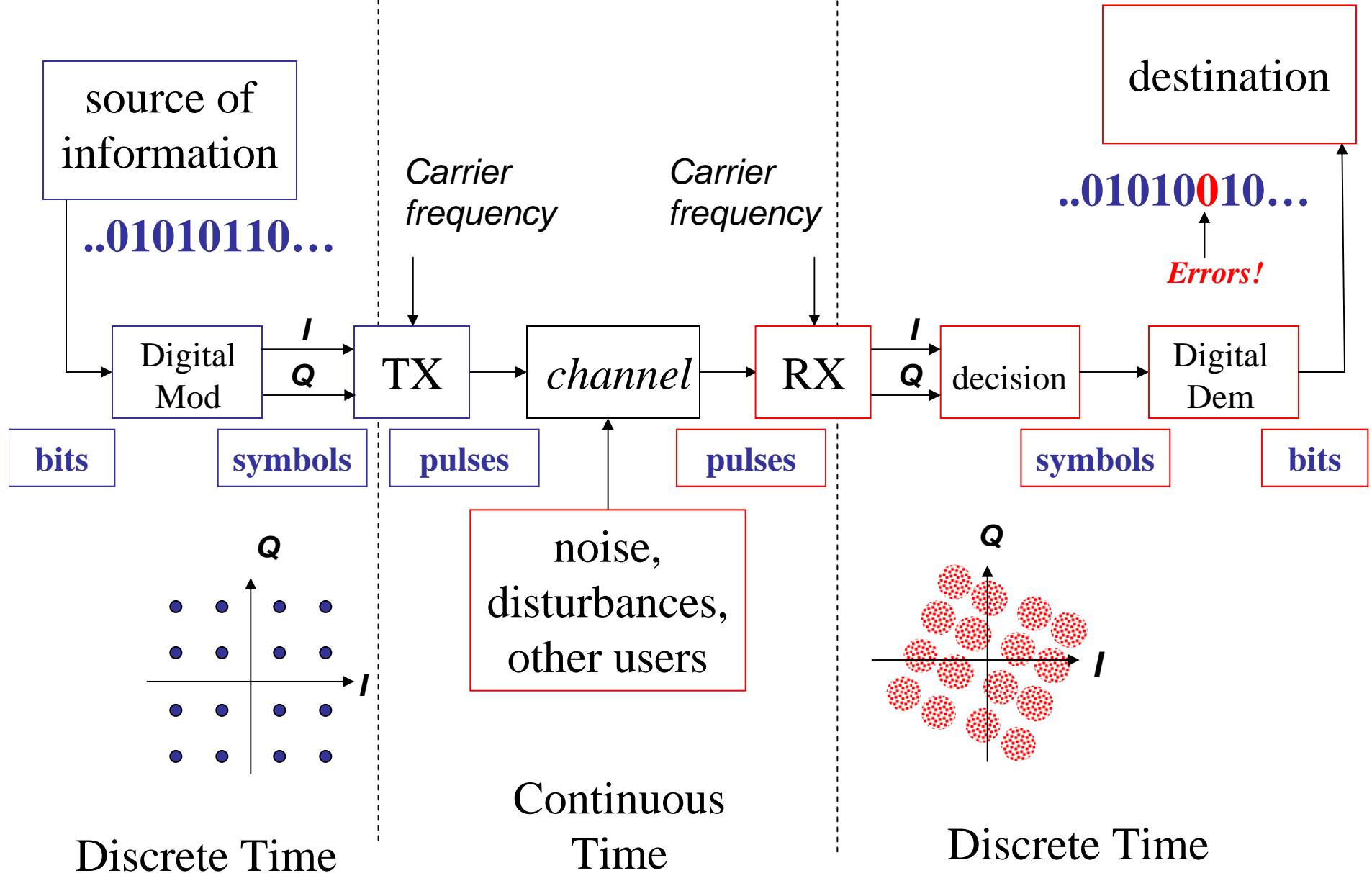
# 1. General Structure of a Digital Communications System

*1.1 General Overview*

*1.2 Goals*

*1.3 Parameters of Interest*

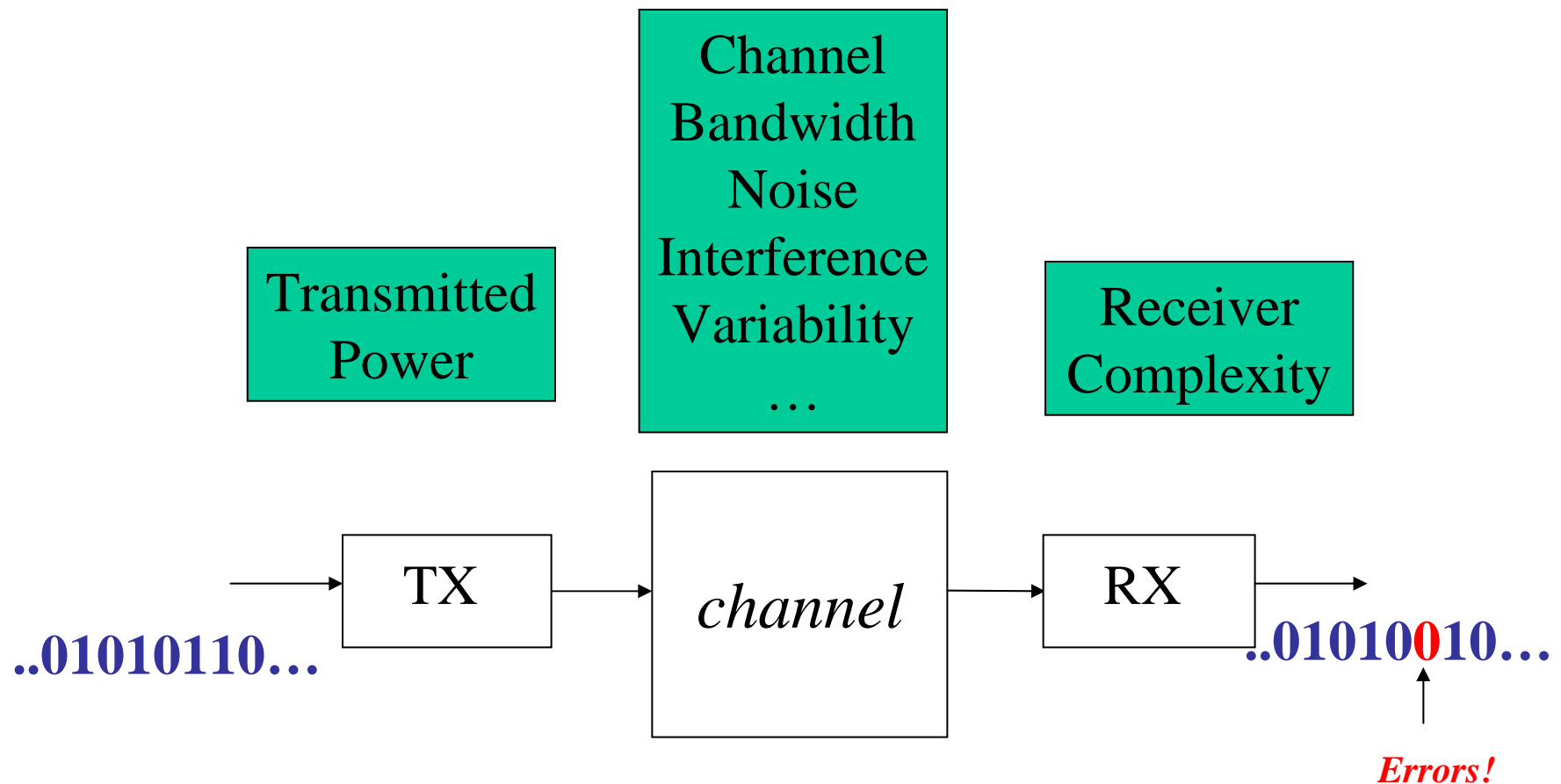
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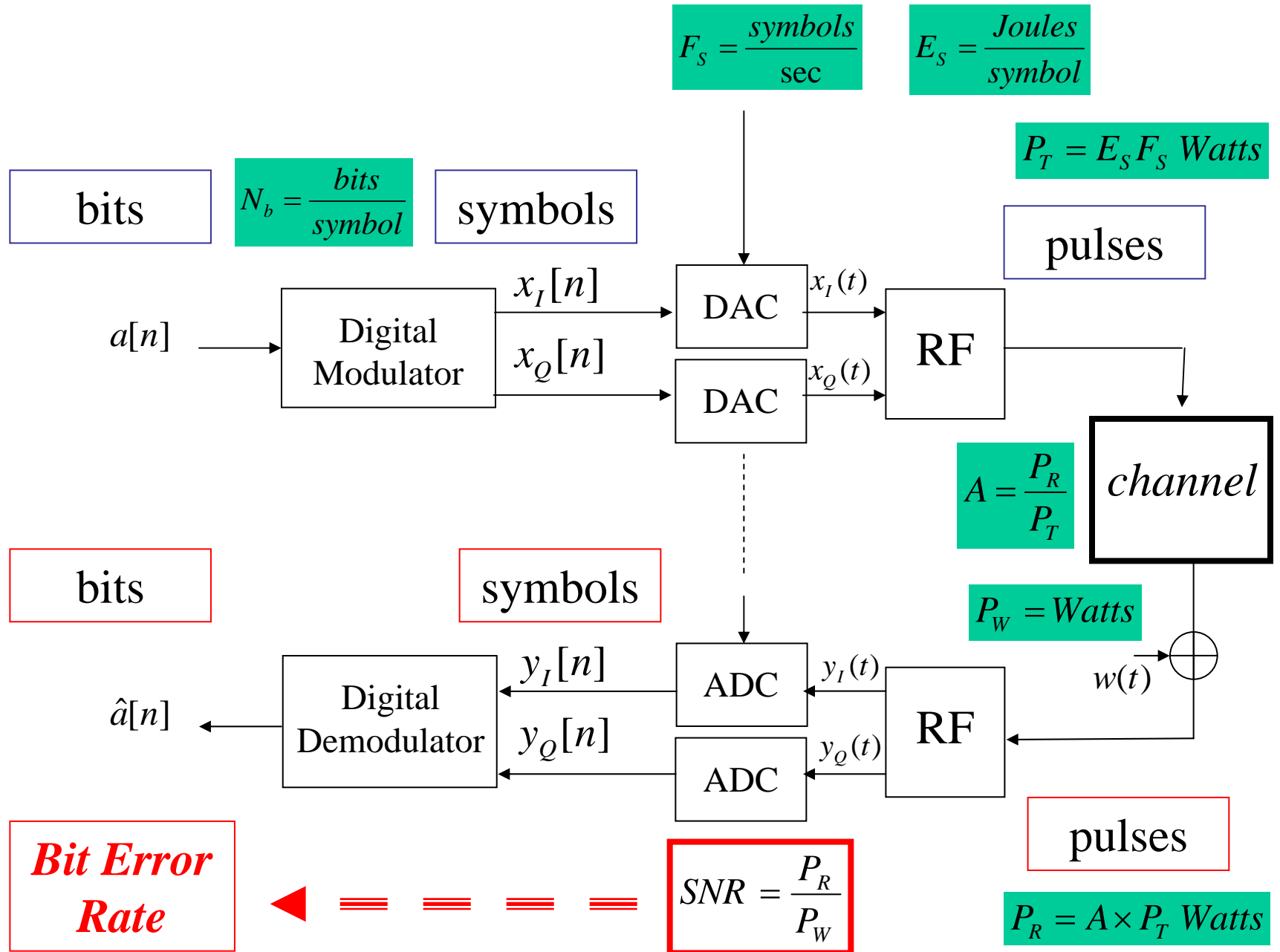


## 1.2 Goals

- **Bit Error Rate** within acceptable values;
- Stay within the available resources:



# 1.3 Parameters



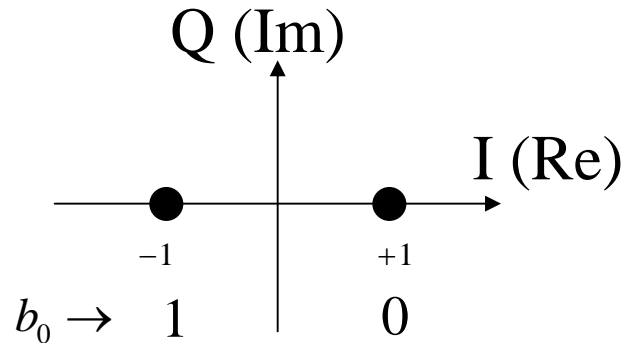
## Bits to Symbols:

### the Constellation Mapping in 802.16 (Gray Code)

BPSK

$[b_0]$

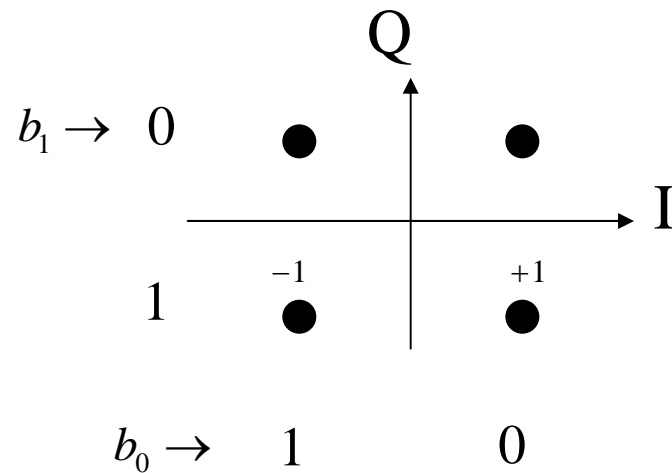
$N_b = 1 \text{ bit/symbol}$

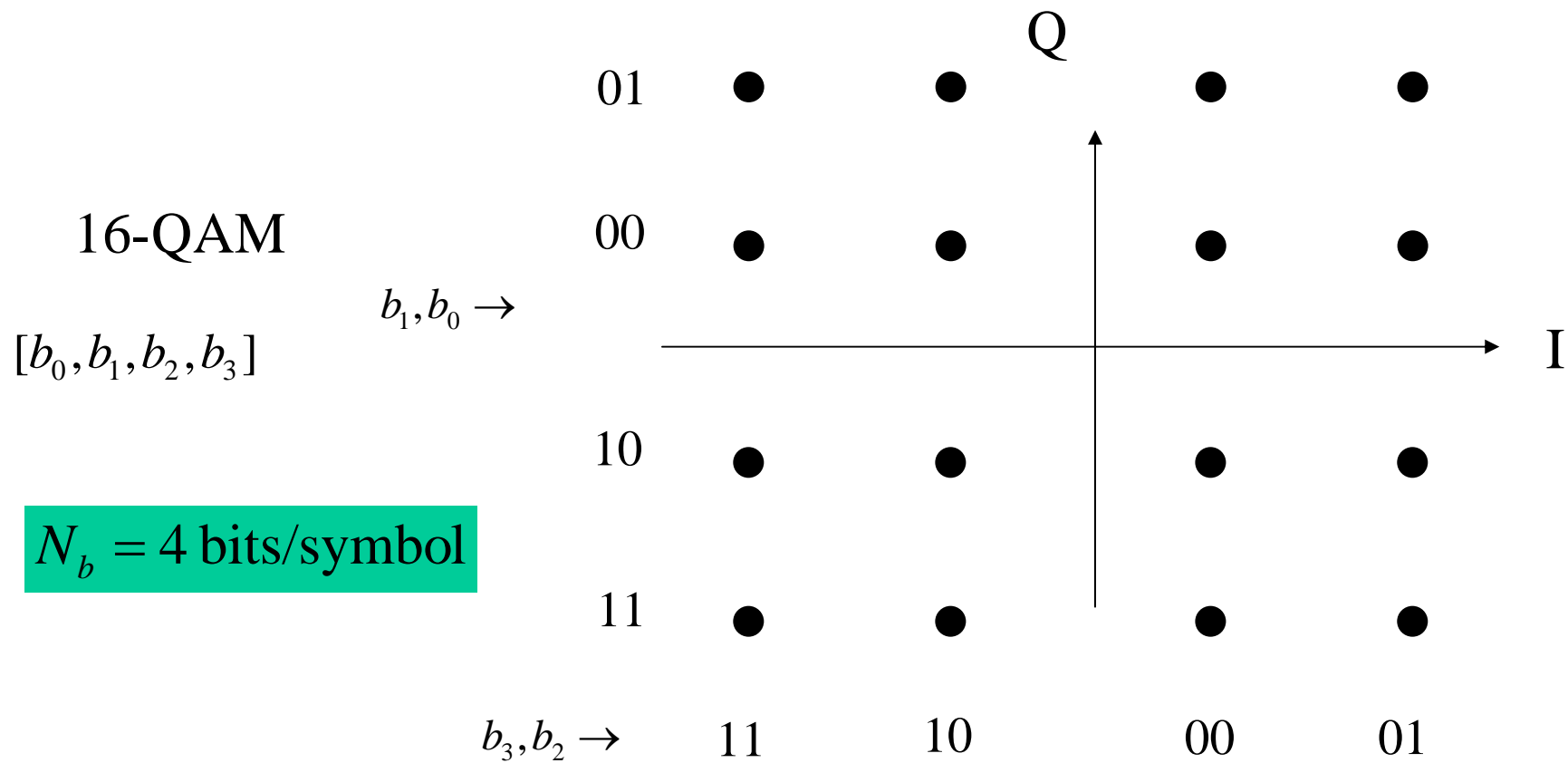


4-QAM  
(QPSK)

$[b_0, b_1]$

$N_b = 2 \text{ bits/symbol}$

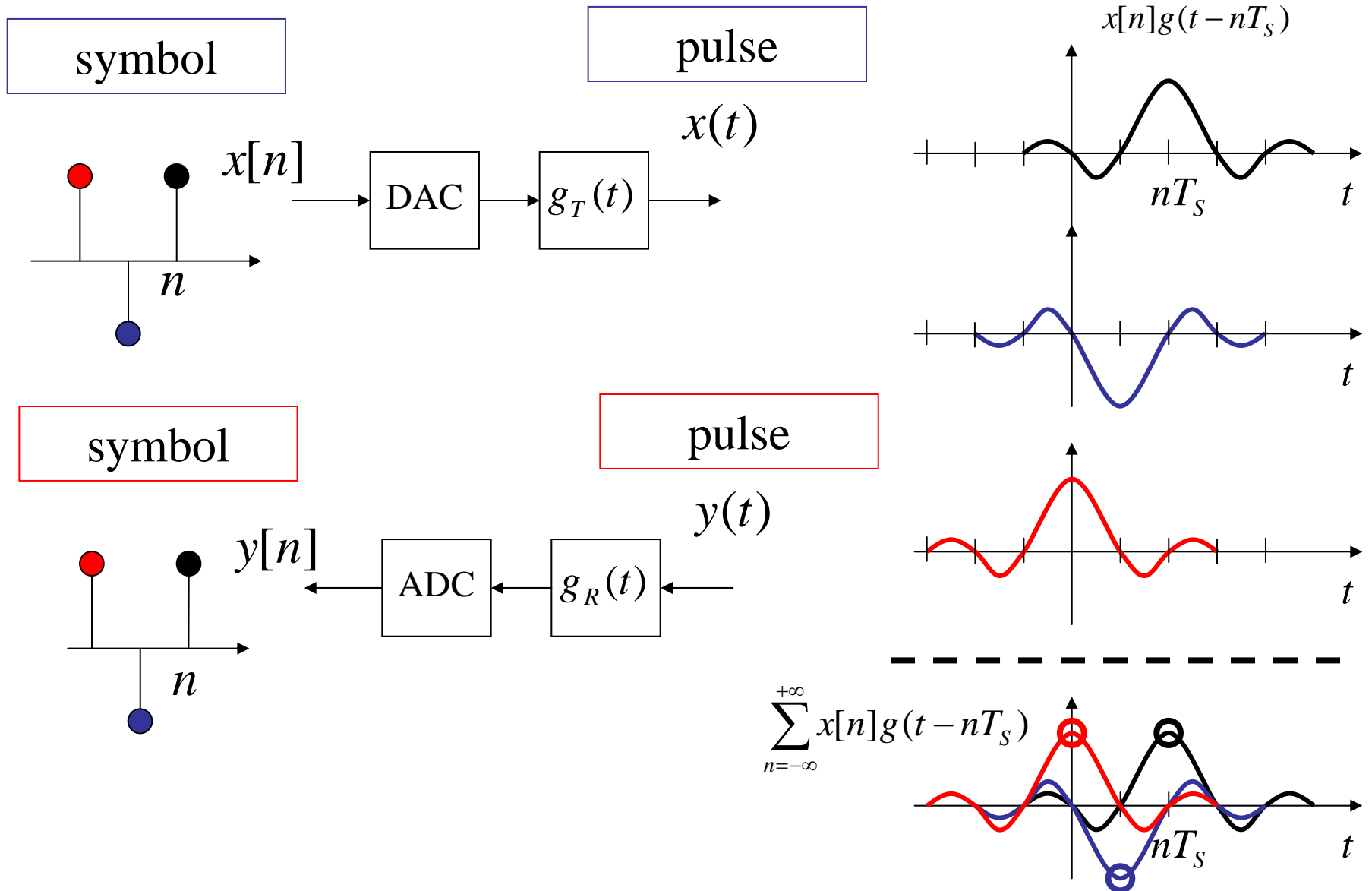




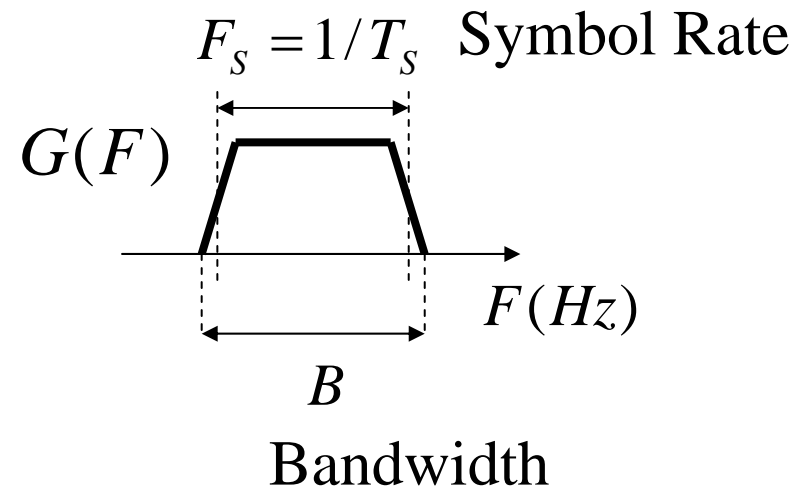
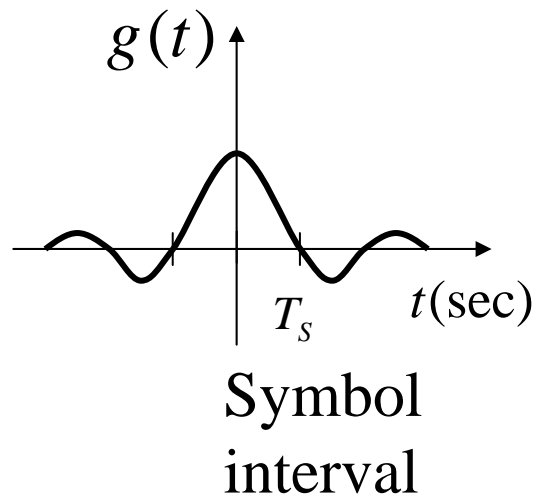
Notice : only one bit difference between close neighbors

## Symbols to Pulses:

### Digital to Analog (DAC) and Analog to Digital (ADC) Conversion



# Bandwidth, Symbol Rate and Transmitted Power



Energy per symbol

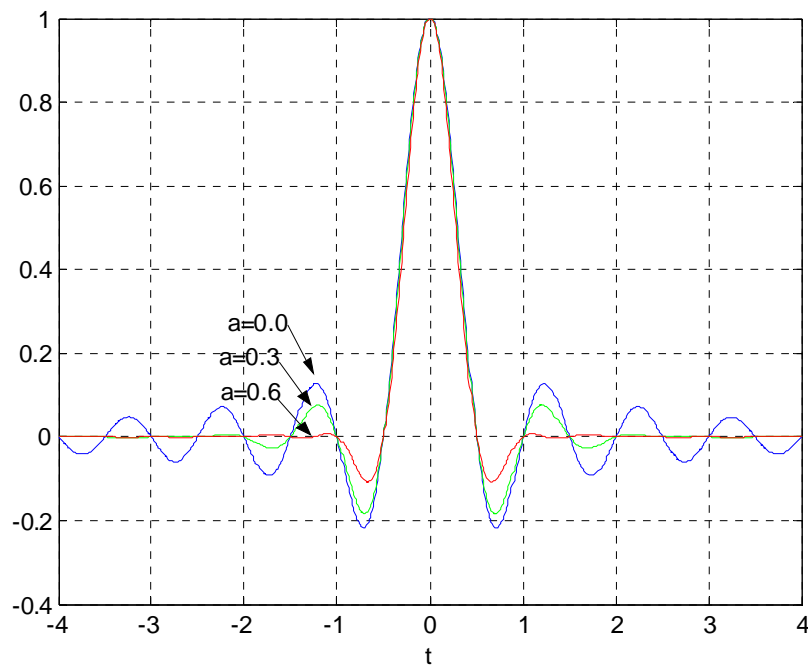
$$E_s = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |G(F)|^2 dF$$

Transmitted Power

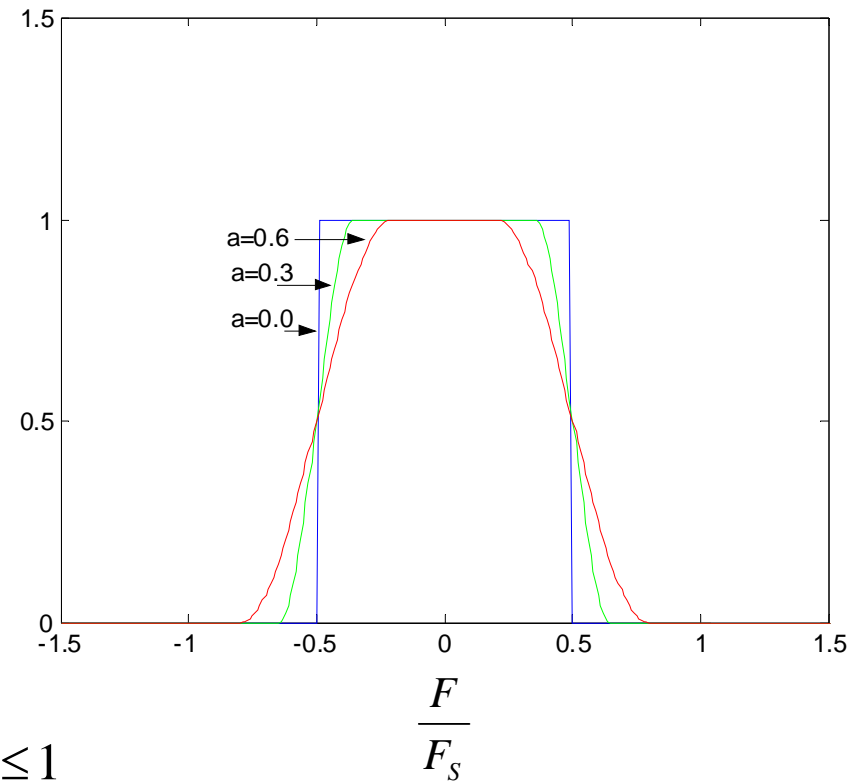
$$P_T = \frac{E_s}{T_s} = E_s \times F_s$$

# Typical: Raised Cosine

$g(t)$



$G(F)$



$$0 \leq \frac{B}{F_s} - 1 = \alpha \leq 1$$

• smaller bandwidth

• more ISI

• larger bandwidth

• less ISI

## **2. Channel Losses and Noise**

*2.1 Transmitted Pulses to Received Pulses*

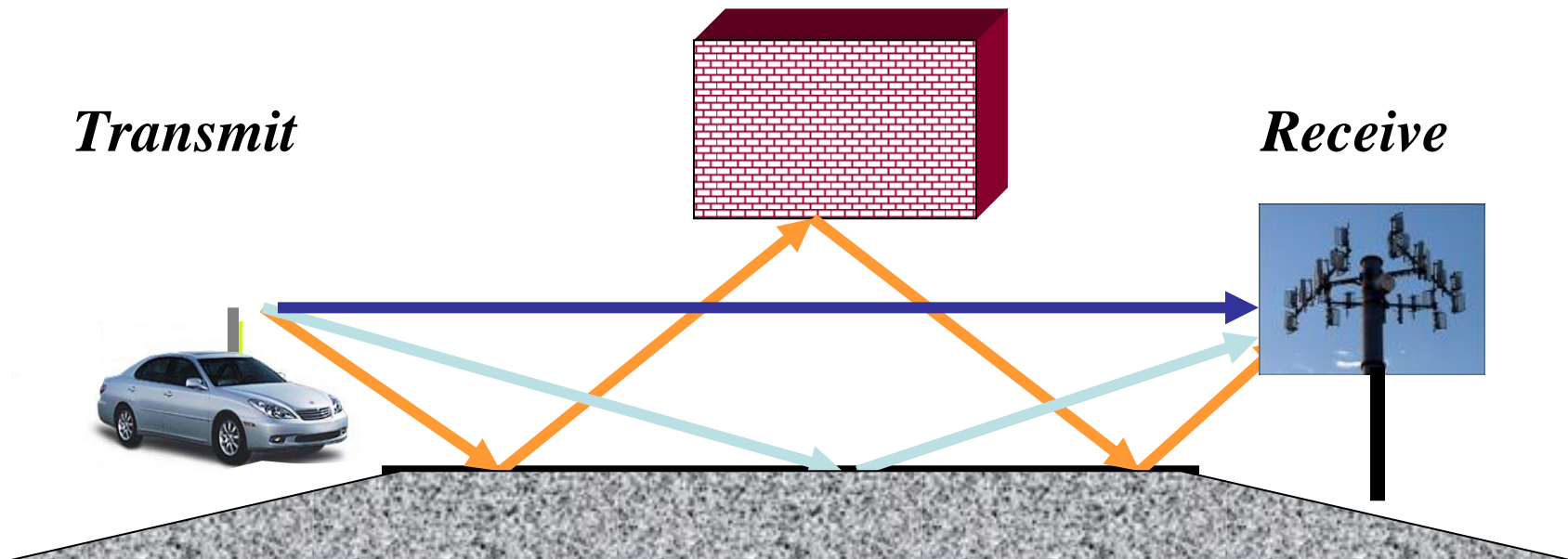
*2.2 Energy per Symbol, Power Spectral Density*

*2.3 Signal to Noise Ratio and “ $E_b/N_0$ ”*



## 2.1 Transmitted Pulses to Received Pulses:

- **attenuation:** free space, obstacles, foliage ...
- **noise:** thermal, interferences from other systems/users
- **multipath:** reflections from buildings, structures, hills ...
- **doppler shift:** motion of transmitter, receivers, reflectors ...



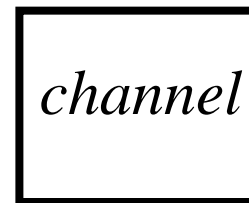
# Channel Losses and Noise

Transmitted Power

$$P_T = E_S F_S \text{ Watts}$$



Channel Attenuation



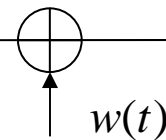
$$A = \frac{P_R}{P_T}$$

Received Power

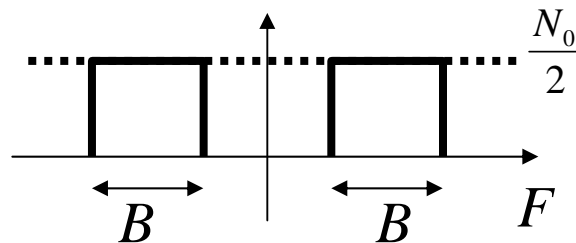
$$P_R = A \times P_T \text{ Watts}$$



Noise



Noise Power  
Spectral Density



$$P_w = N_0 \times B \text{ Watts}$$

## 2.2 Energy per Symbol and Power Spectral Density

The diagram illustrates the relationship between Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR) and various communication parameters. It features a central equation with arrows indicating the components:

$$SNR = \frac{\text{Signal Power}}{\text{Noise Power}} = \frac{E_s \times F_s}{N_0 \times B}$$

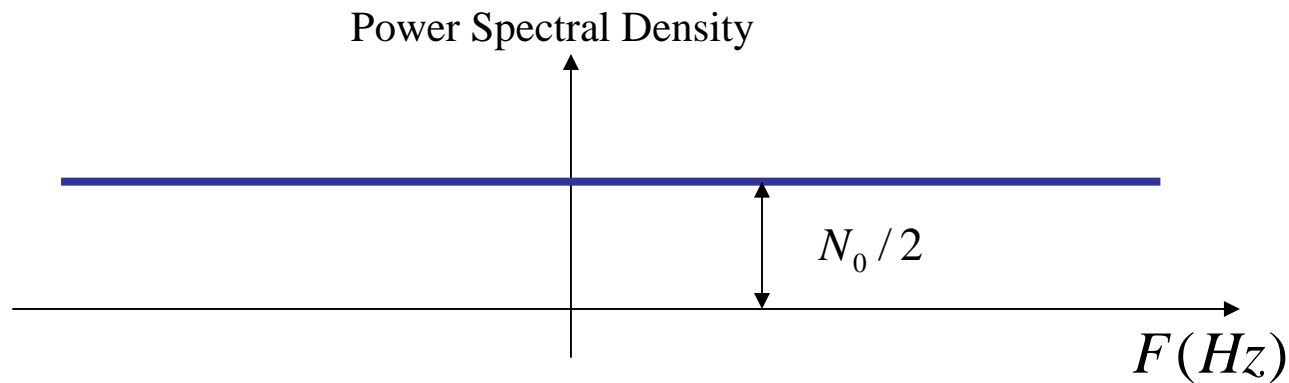
The components and their relationships are as follows:

- Energy per symbol** ( $E_s$ ) is indicated by an arrow pointing to the numerator term  $E_s$ .
- Symbol Rate** ( $F_s$ ) is indicated by an arrow pointing to the numerator term  $F_s$ .
- Noise Power Spectral Density** ( $N_0$ ) is indicated by an arrow pointing to the denominator term  $N_0$ .
- Bandwidth** ( $B$ ) is indicated by an arrow pointing to the denominator term  $B$ .

The central equation is:  $SNR = \frac{\text{Signal Power}}{\text{Noise Power}} = \frac{E_s \times F_s}{N_0 \times B}$

# Thermal Noise

- Present in all electronic systems, it is dependent on temperature;
- It is “white”, in the sense that it is equally spread in frequency.



$$N_0 = kT = (1.383 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J / K}) \times T$$

Boltzman's constant

temperature in *kelvin*

Ambient temperature = 290K

In *dBm*:

$$N_{0dB} = -174 \text{ dBm} / \text{Hz}$$

Example:

- Temperature =  $290K$  (ambient)
- Bandwidth =  $2.0\text{MHz}$

Noise Power =

$$(N_0 B)_{dB} = -174\text{dBm} / \text{Hz} + 10\log_{10} 2 \times 10^6 = -111\text{dBm}$$

## 2.3 Signal to Noise Ratio and “Eb/N0”

$$SNR = \left( \frac{F_s}{B} \right) \left( \frac{E_s}{N_0} \right) = N_b \left( \frac{F_s}{B} \right) \left( \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)$$

$F_s$  = symbol rate (1/sec)

$B$  = bandwidth ( $\text{Hz} = 1/\text{sec}$ )  $\geq F_s$

$N_0$  = noise power spectral density

$E_s$  = Energy per symbol (Joules)

$E_b$  = Energy per bit (Joules)

$N_b$  = bits per symbol

## **3. Complex Baseband Representation**

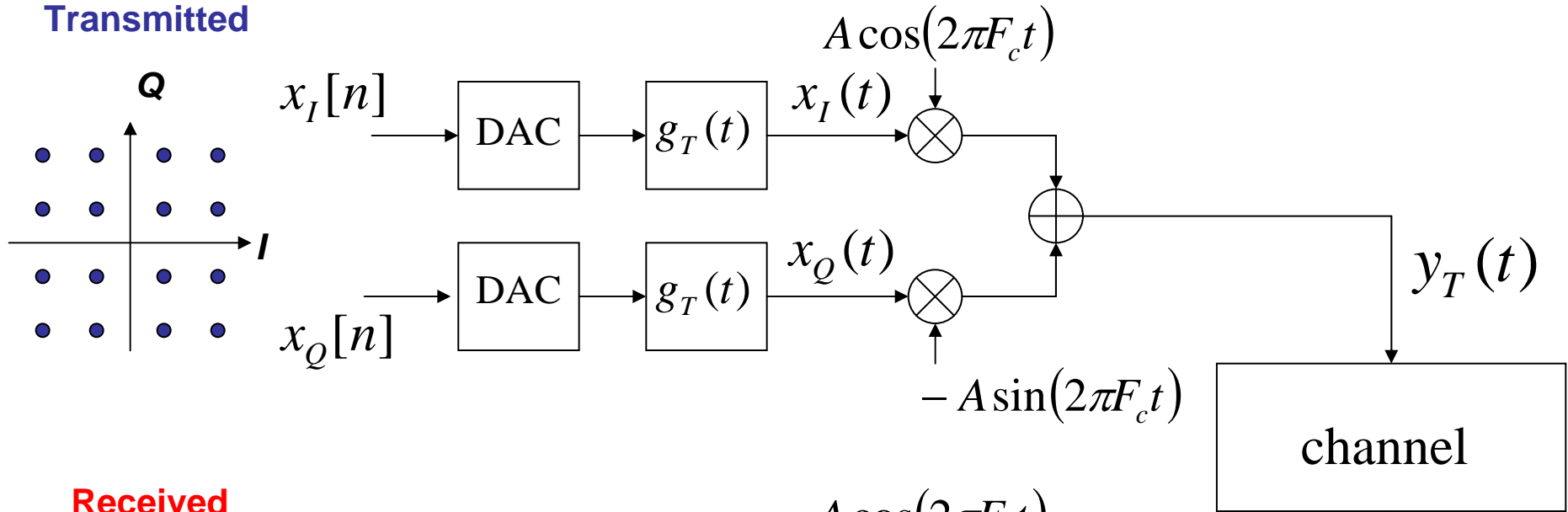
***3.1 Complex Signals***

***3.2 Baseband Channel Representation***

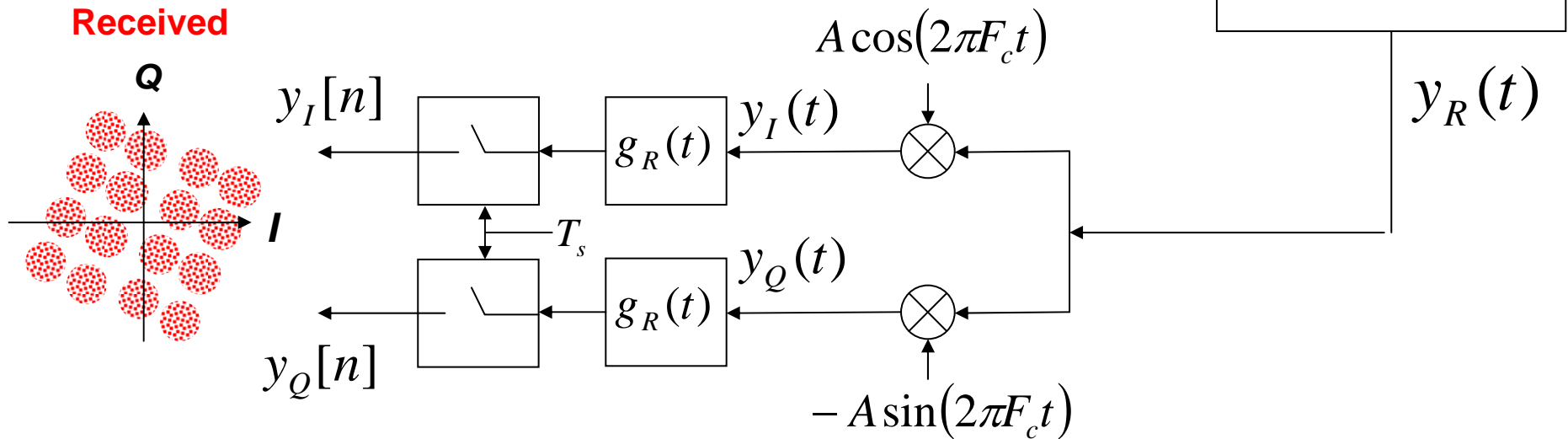
## 3.1 Complex Signals

### Symbols:

#### Transmitted



#### Received



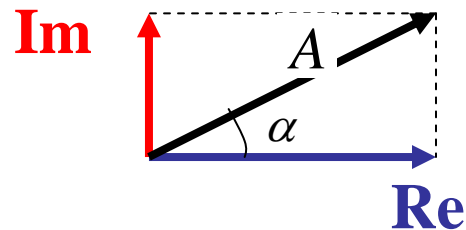


## Recall: Complex Numbers and Complex Exponentials

amplitude      phase (angle)

$j = \sqrt{-1}$

$$Ae^{j\alpha} = \underbrace{A \cos(\alpha)}_{\text{Real Part}} + j \underbrace{A \sin(\alpha)}_{\text{Imaginary Part}}$$

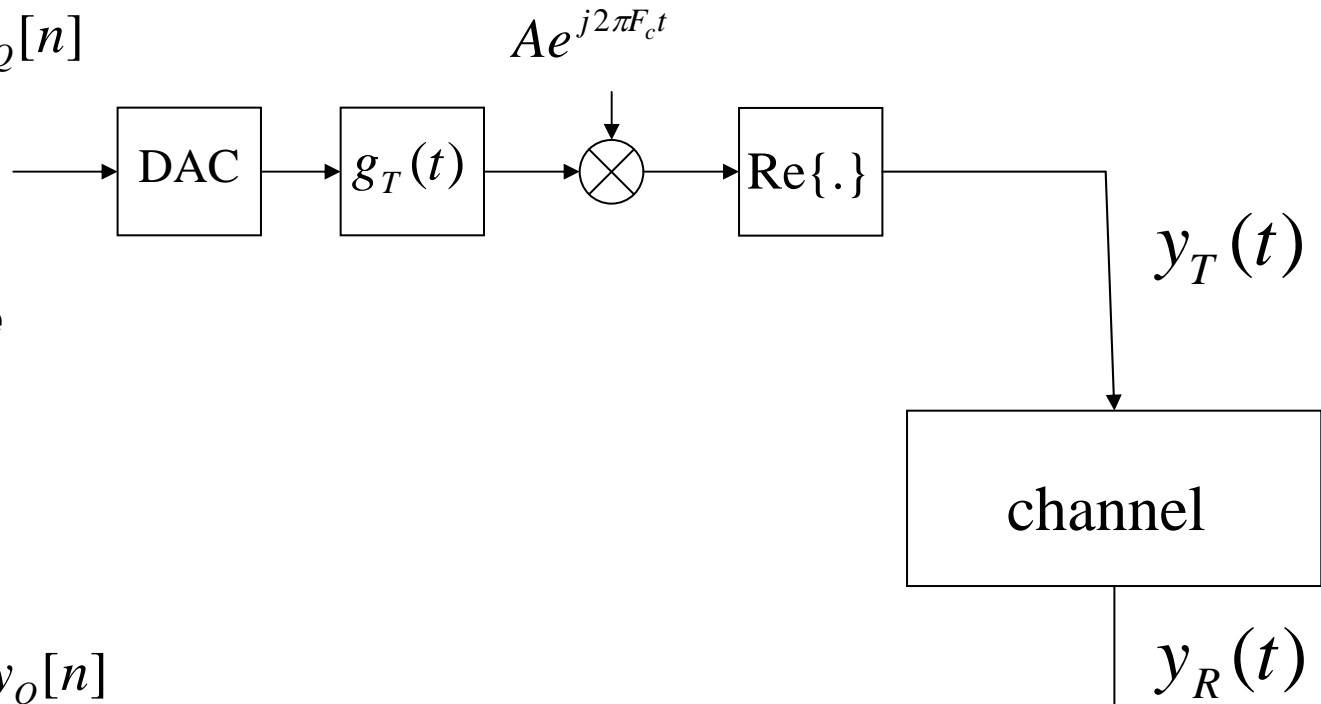
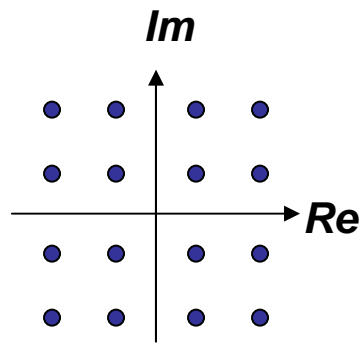


As a consequence:

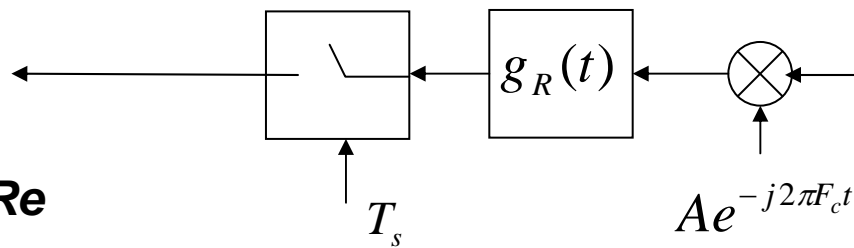
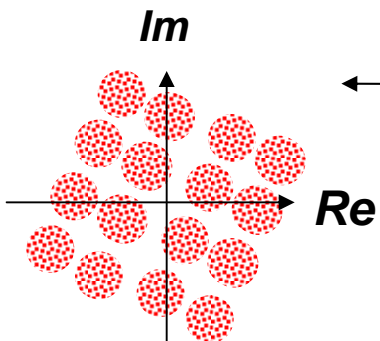
$$Ae^{j2\pi F_c t} = A \cos(2\pi F_c t) + jA \sin(2\pi F_c t)$$

It is easier to define one complex signal which combines *In Phase* and *Quadrature* components:

$$x[n] = x_I[n] + jx_Q[n]$$

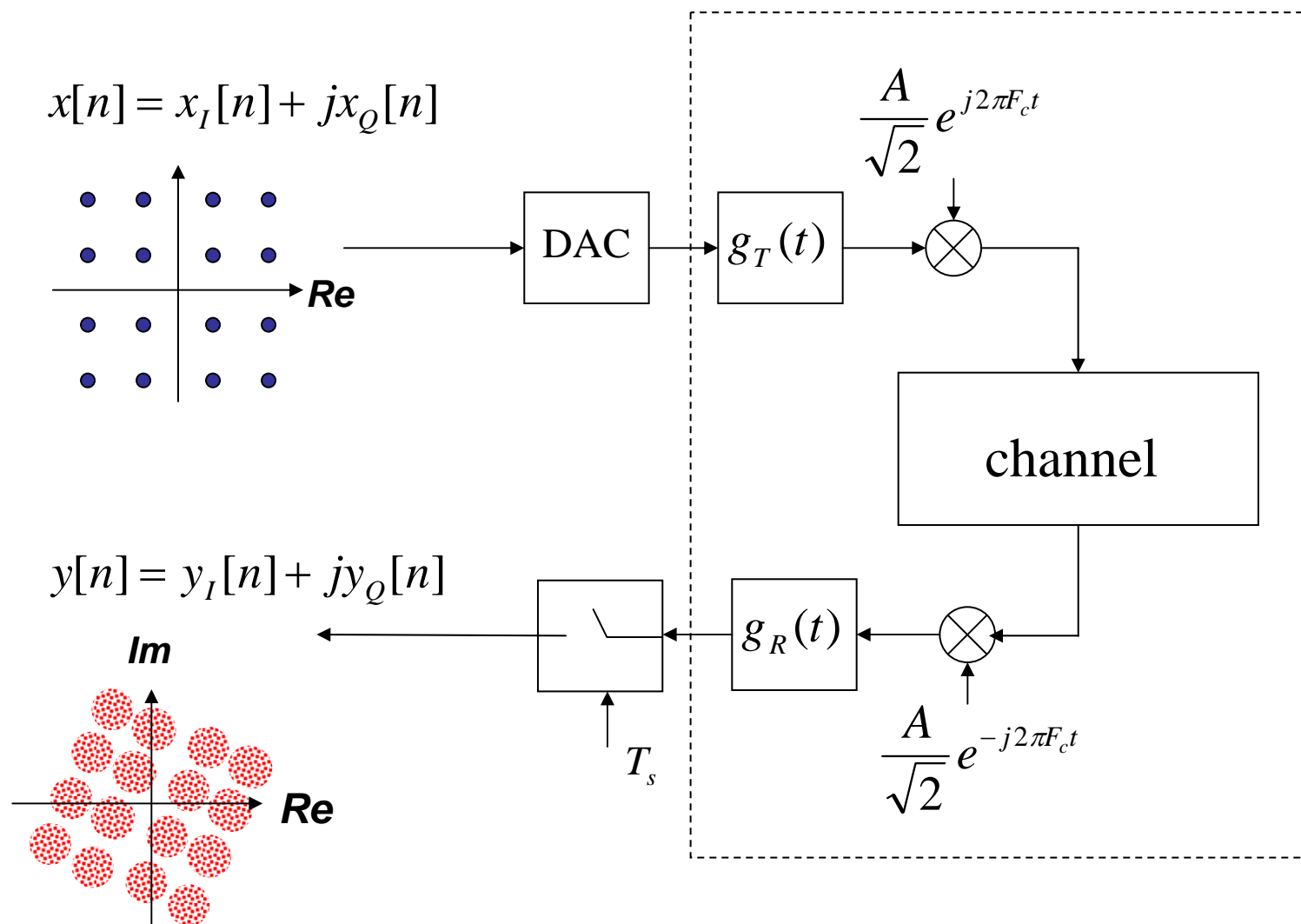


$$y[n] = y_I[n] + jy_Q[n]$$

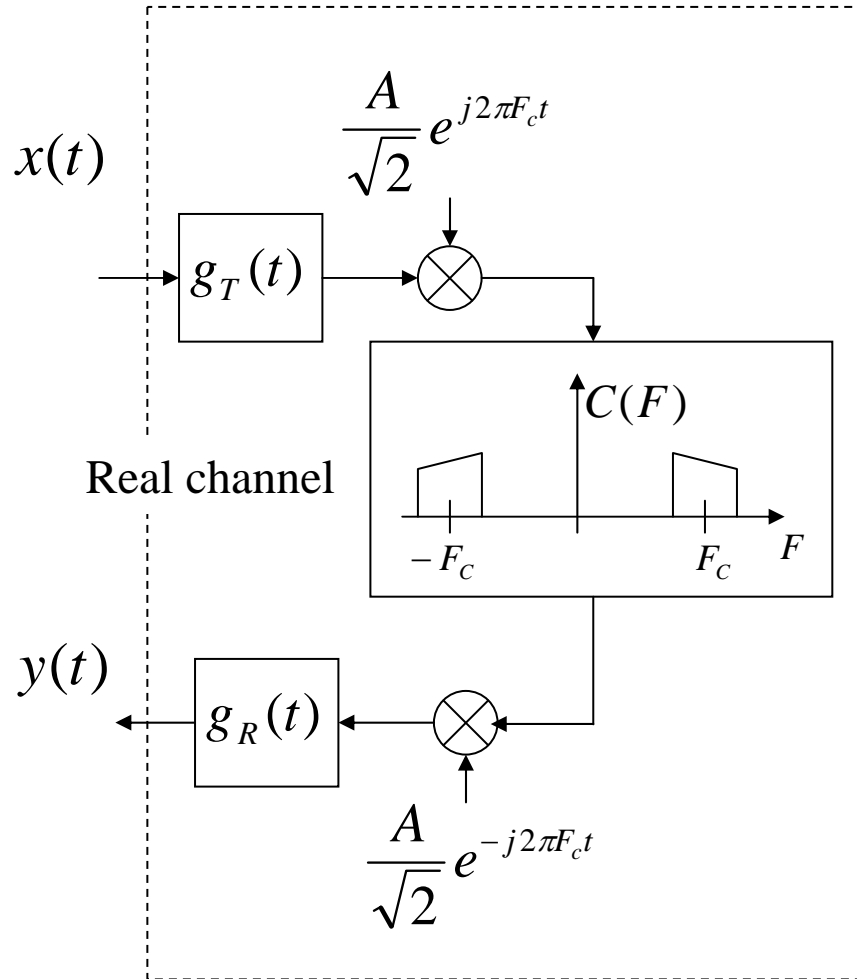


If the carrier frequency is larger than the bandwidth of the filters, then it can be simplified as

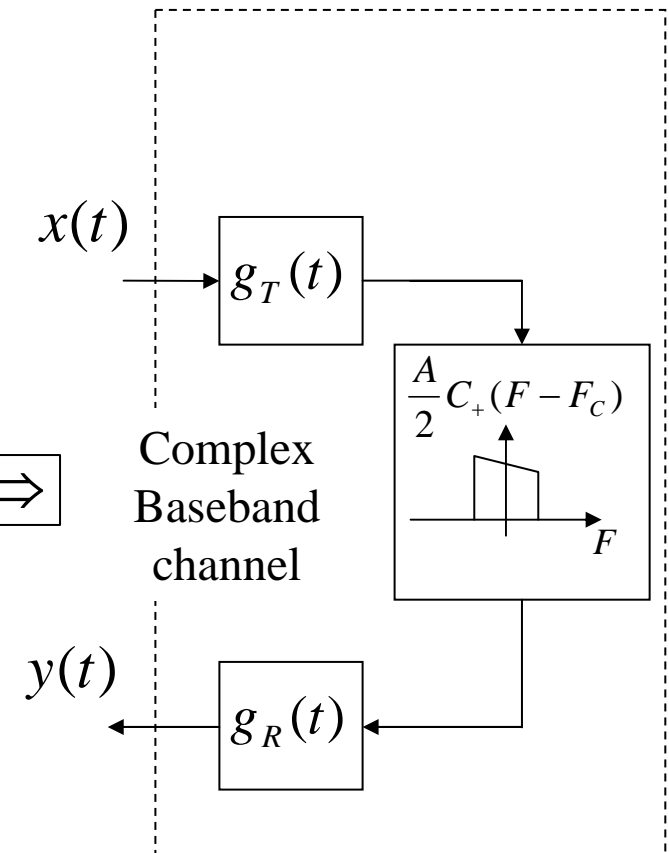
### Baseband Channel



## 3.2 Baseband Channel Representation

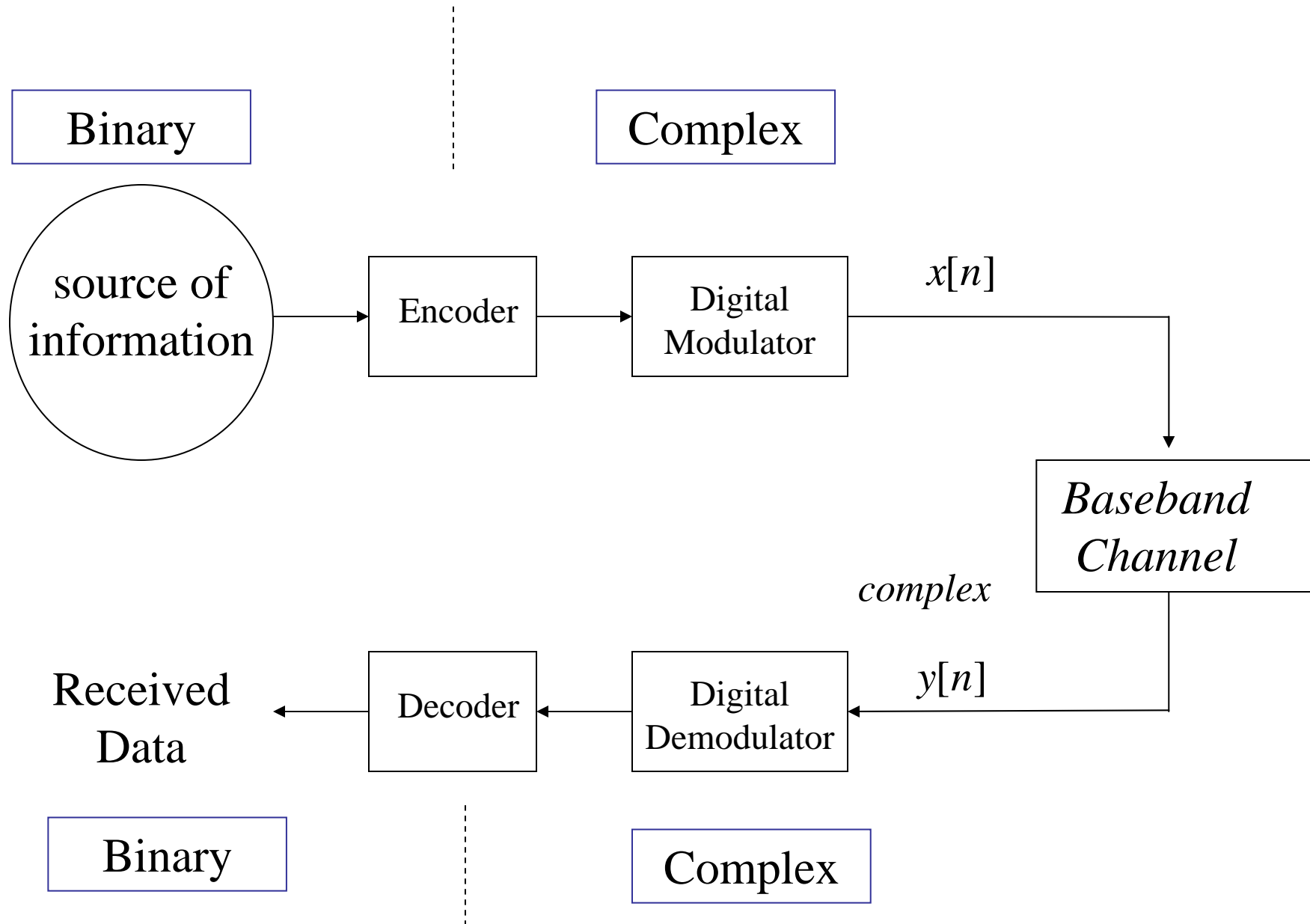


$\Leftarrow$  same  $\Rightarrow$



**Advantage:** all signals at lower frequencies, therefore much easier to simulate and analyze.

## Digital Transmitter/Receiver with Baseband Channel:



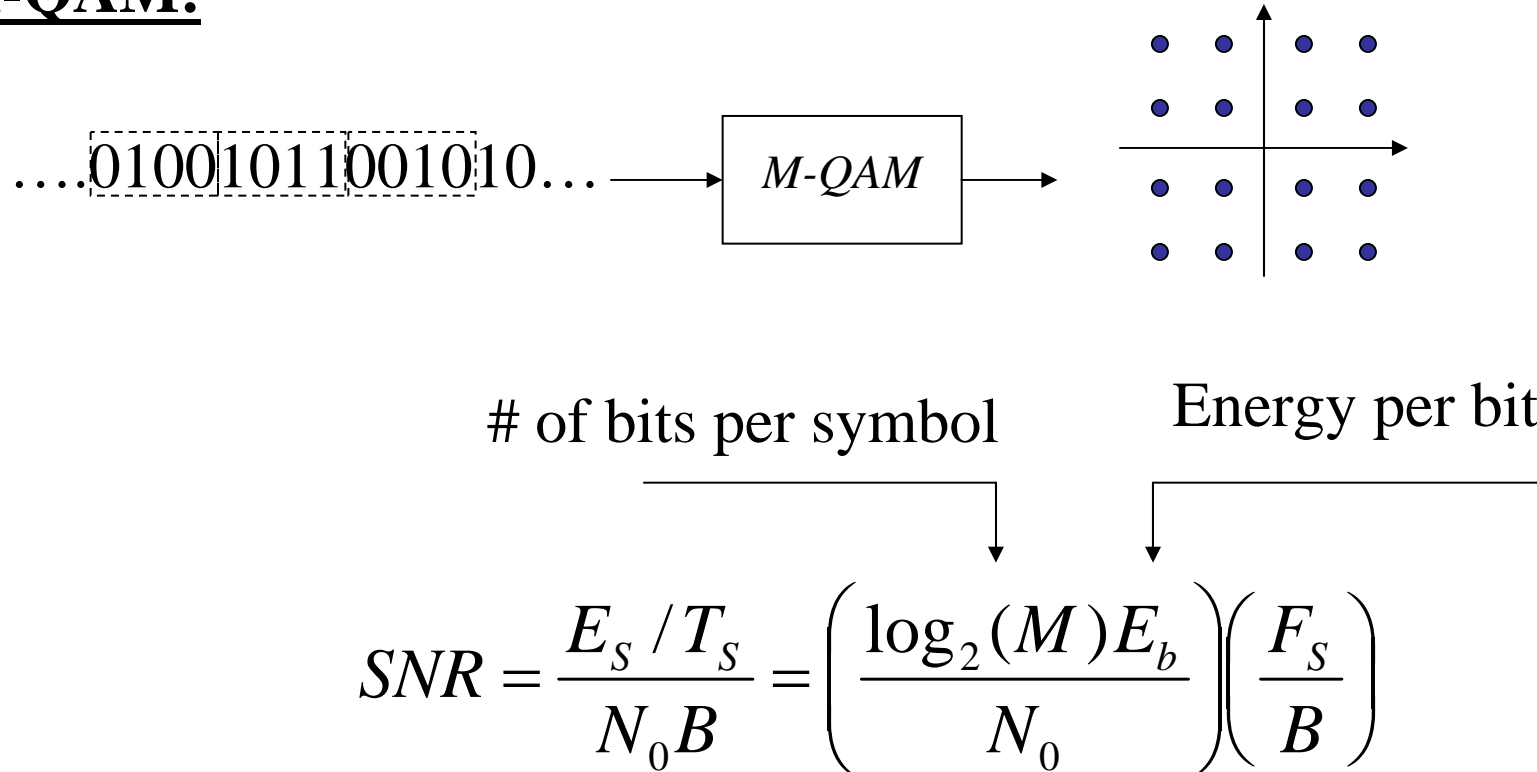
## 4. Bit Error Probabilities for M-QAM Modulation

*4.1 “ $E_b/N_0$ ” and SNR for MQAM Signals*

*4.2 Probability of Symbol Error in Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) Channel;*

#### 4.1 “Eb/N0” and SNR for MQAM Signals

### M-QAM:



Therefore, if  $F_s \cong B$  :

$$\frac{E_b}{N_0} = \left( \frac{1}{\log_2(M)} \right) SNR$$

Significance: the error probabilities for MQAM are functions of  $E_b / N_0$



## Example.

### Given:

Transmitted Power: 100mW

Bandwidth: 1.75MHz

Channel Attenuation: -120dB

Modulation: QPSK (2 bits/symbol)

Assume: Thermal Noise only at ambient temperature

Compute:  $E_b / N_0$

### Solution:

1. Energy per Symbol at the transmitter

$$E_s = 100mW / 1.75MHz = 57.14 \times 10^{-6} mW / Hz = -42.4dBm / Hz$$

2. Energy per Symbols at the receiver

$$E_s = -42.4 - 120 = -162.4dBm / Hz$$

3. SNR at the receiver

$$SNR = \left( \frac{E_s}{N_0} \right)_{dB} = -162.4 - (-174) = 11.6dB$$

4. Finally  $\boxed{(E_b / N_0)_{dB} = 11.6 - 10 \log_{10} 2 = 8.6dB}$

## 4.2 Probability of Symbol Error in AWGN

BPSK:  $P_S = Q\left(\sqrt{2 \frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)$

4-QAM:  $P_S \approx 2Q\left(\sqrt{2 \frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)$

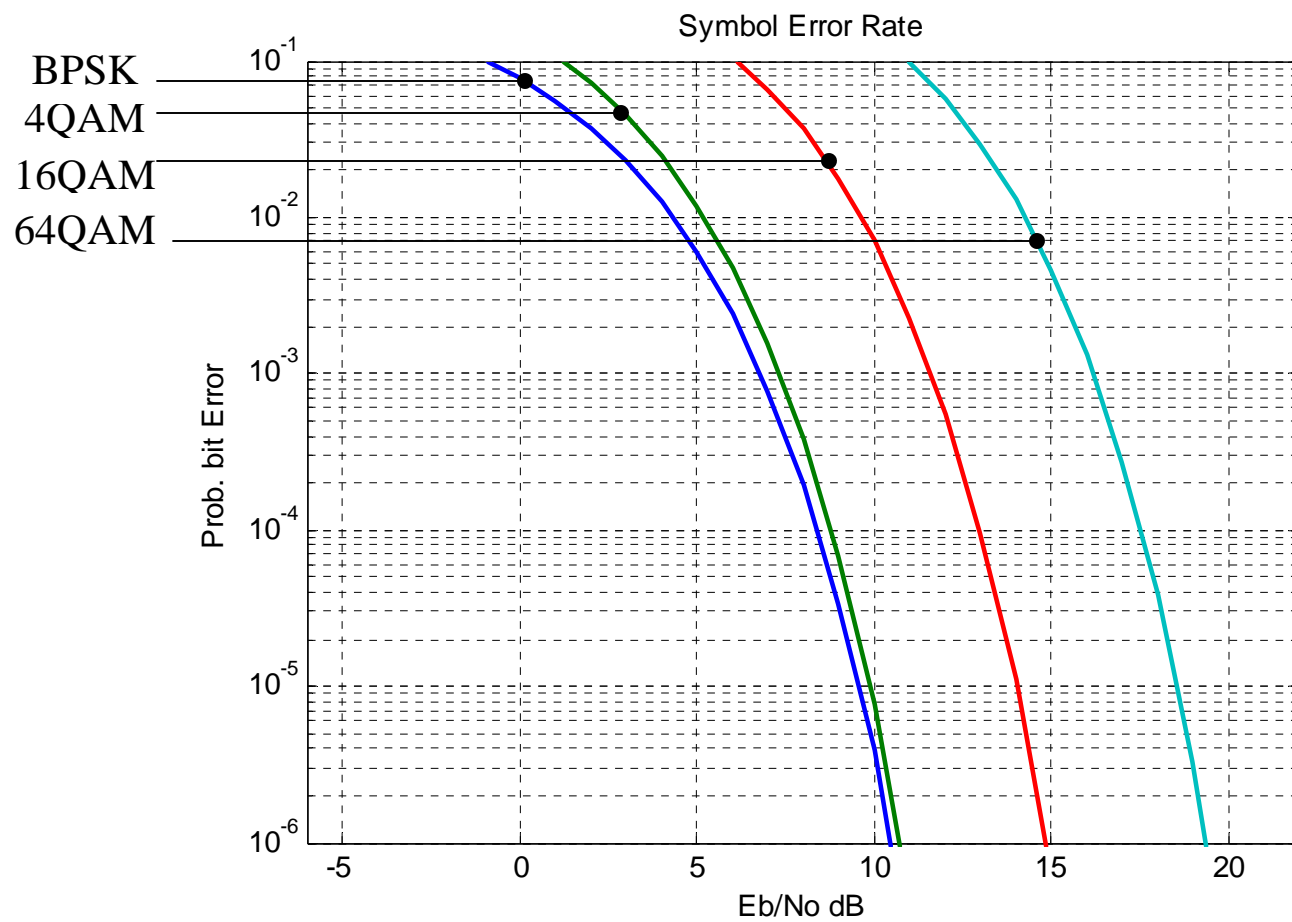
M-QAM:  $P_S \approx 4Q\left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{3 \log_2 M}{M-1}\right) \left(\frac{E_b}{N_0}\right)}\right)$

### Probability of Bit Error with Gray Coding:

M-QAM:  $P_b \approx \frac{1}{\log_2(M)} P_S$

where  $Q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-t^2/2} dt$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

# Symbol Error Rates (Exact Values)



## Example.

Same as previous example

Compute: a. Symbol Error Rate, b. Bit Error Rate

## Solution:

1. From the previous Example  $E_b / N_0 = 8.6dB$
2. Symbol Error Rate:  $10^{-4}$  errors per symbol (see graphs)
3. Bit Error Rate:  $10^{-4} / 2 = 5 \times 10^{-5}$  errors per bit

## **5. Simulink Implementation**

***5.1 Fundamentals of Simulink***

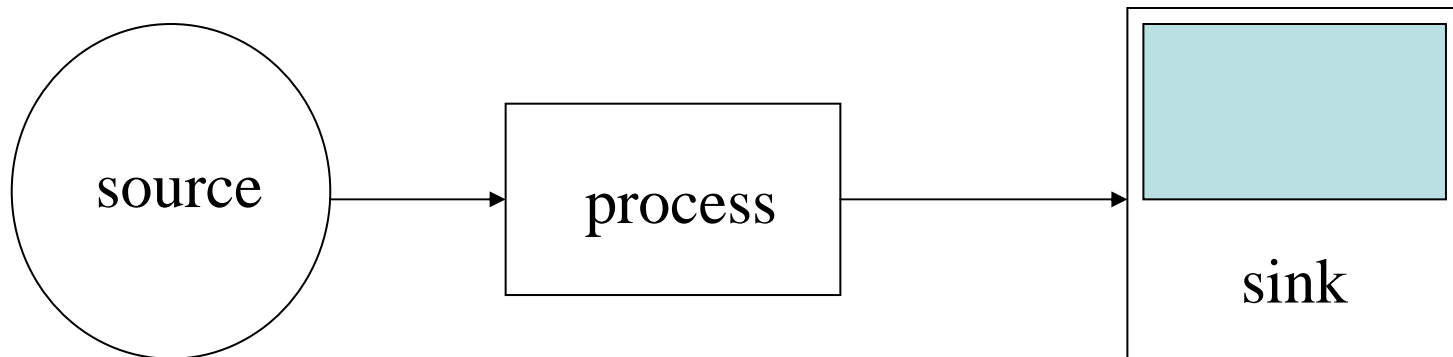
***5.2 Digital Communications in AWGN: Simulink Implementation;***

***5.3 Example***

## 5.1 Fundamentals of Simulink

Simulink has three classes of blocksets:

- sources (outputs only)
- processes (inputs/outputs)
- sinks (inputs only)

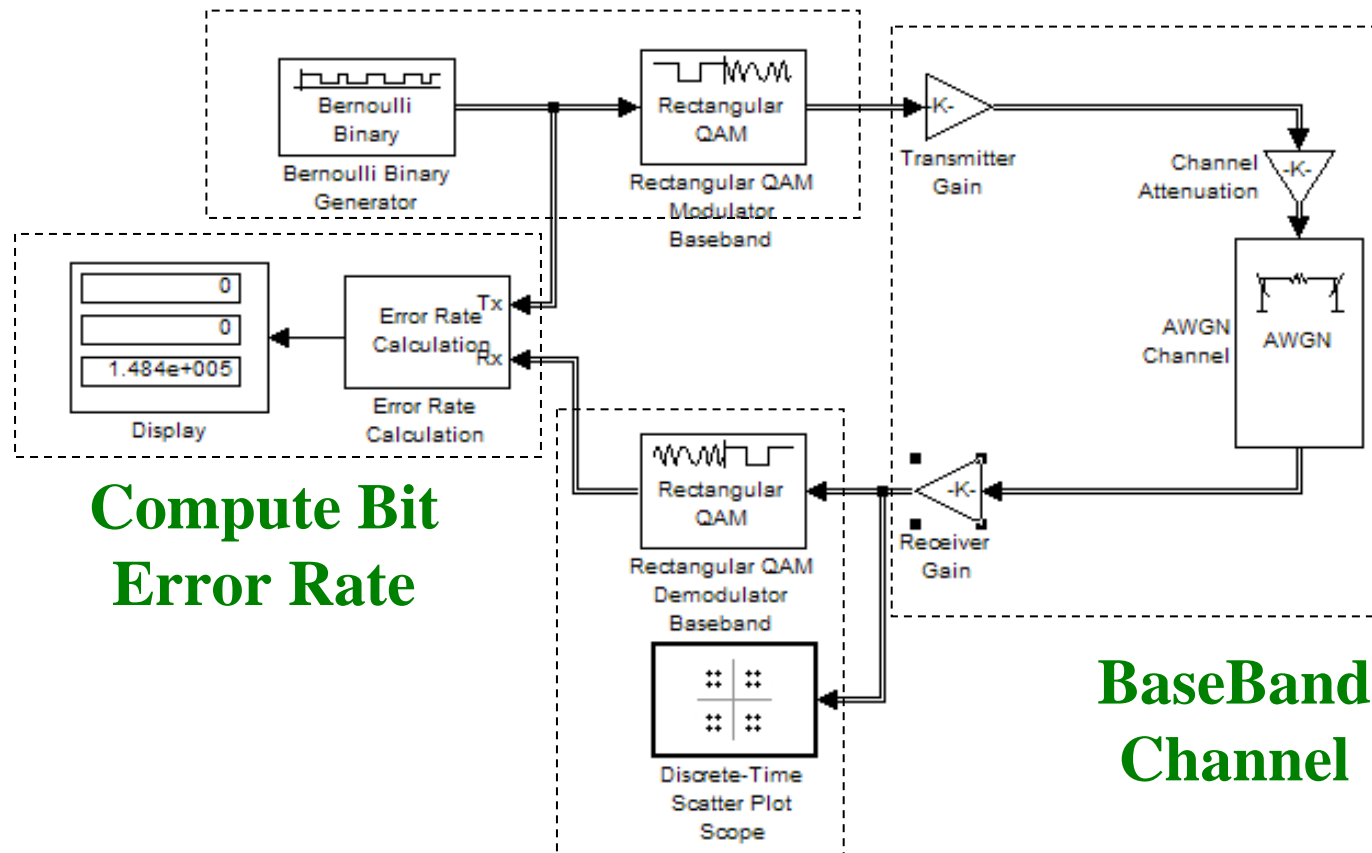


- generate data
- read data
- import files ...

- display results
- plots, scopes...
- send data to devices

## 5.2 Digital Communications in AWGN: Simulink Implementation

### Generate Complex Data



### Compute Bit Error Rate

### Display Received Data

Simulink Model: AWGN\_no\_coding.mdl

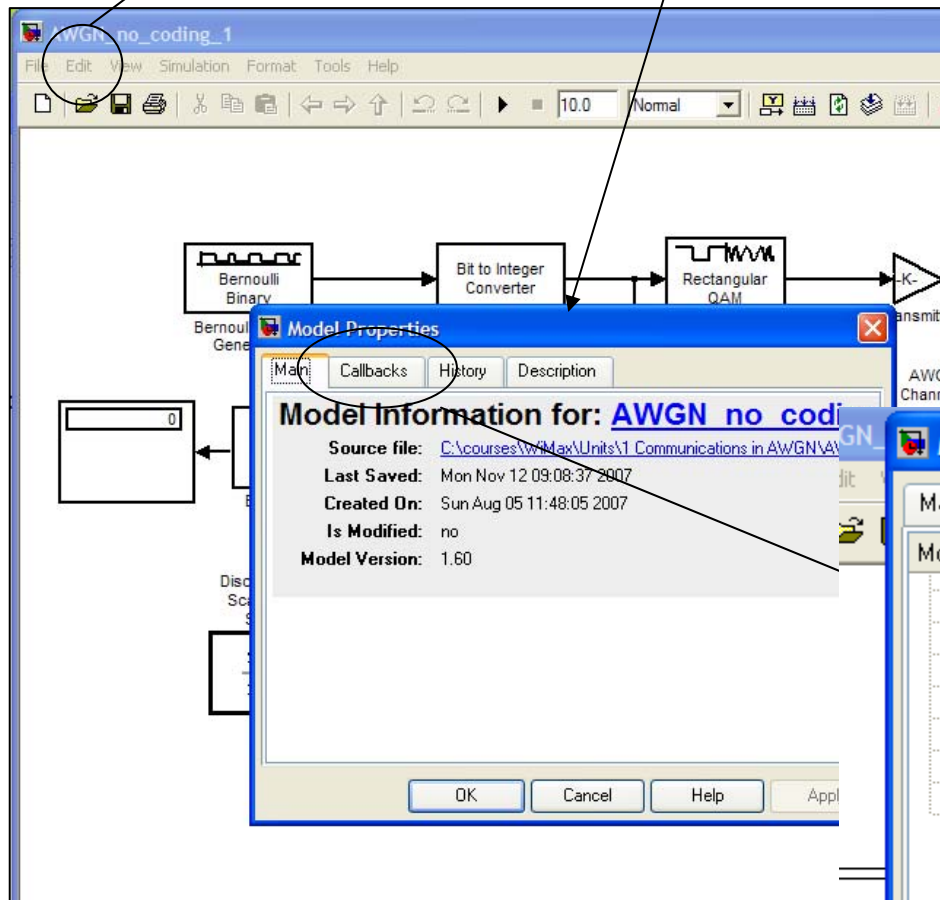


## 5.3 Example

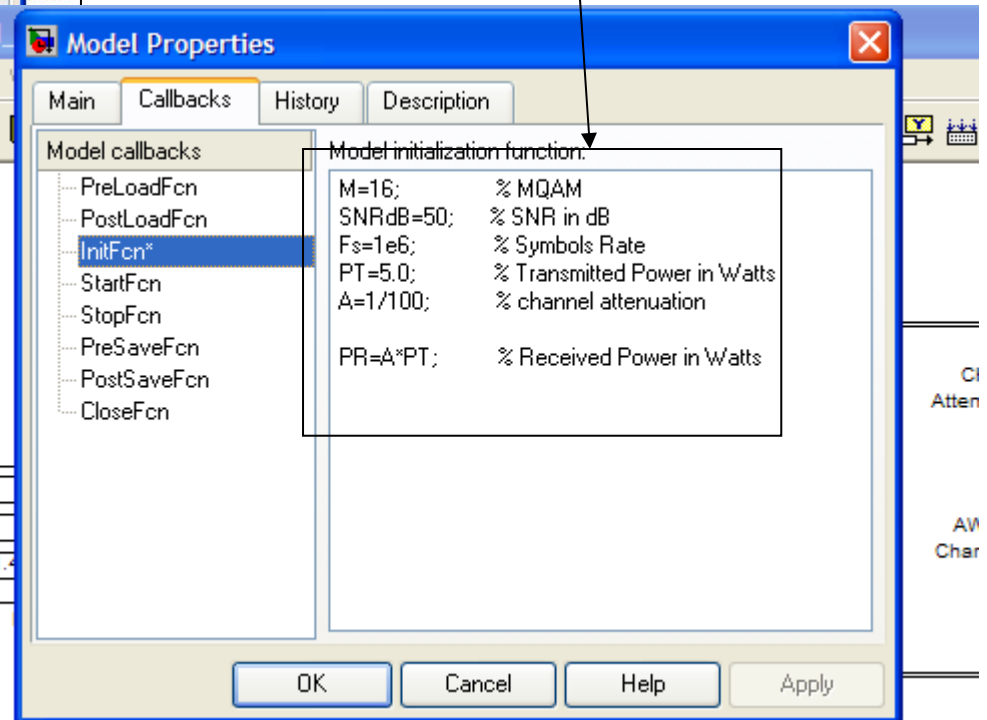
Let's simulate a Digital Communications System with the following parameters:

M=4;	% MQAM modulation
Fs=10^6;	% symbol rate (1/sec)
SNRdB=20;	% SNR in dB's
PT=5;	% Transmitted Power in Watts
A=1/100;	% Channel Attenuation
PR=A*PT;	% Received Power

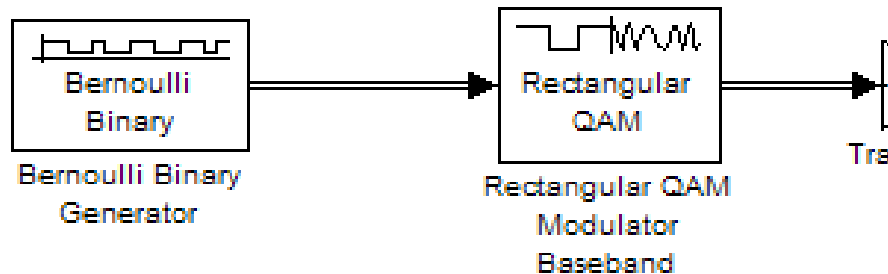
Edit > Model Properties



Enter the parameters



# Generate Complex Data



## Parameters:

- M-QAM
- $F_s$  symbols/sec

Communications Sources

>Random Data Sources

>>**Bernoulli Binary**

Parameters	
Probability of a zero:	0.5
Initial seed:	61
Sample time:	1/ $F_s$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frame-based outputs	
Samples per frame:	$\log_2(M)$
Output data type:	int8

Two blue arrows point from the right towards the parameters: one labeled  $F_s$  pointing to "Sample time", and one labeled  $M$  pointing to "Samples per frame".

Modulation

>Digital Baseband Mod

>>AM

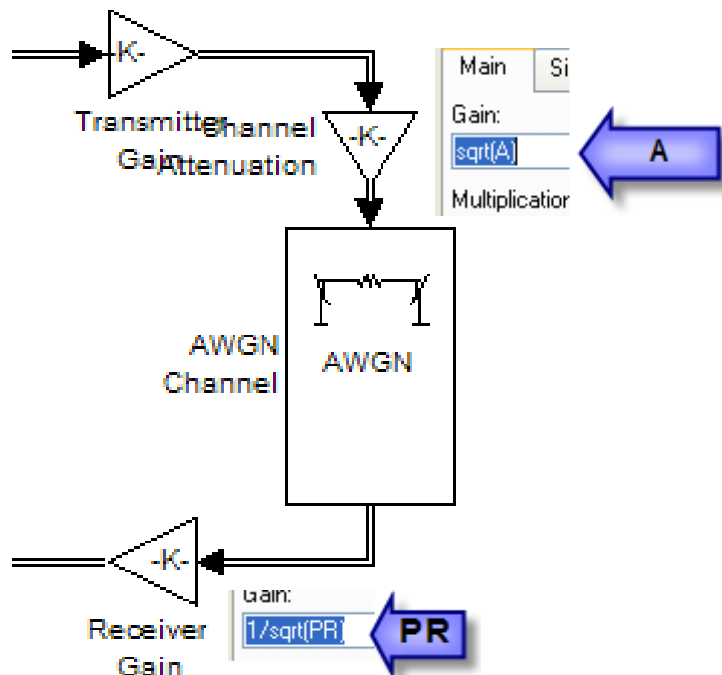
>>>**Rectangular QAM**

Parameters	
M-ary number:	M
Input type:	Integer
Constellation ordering:	Gray
Normalization method:	Average Power
Average power (watts):	1
Phase offset (rad):	0
Output Data type:	single

A blue arrow labeled  $M$  points from the right towards the "M-ary number" field.

## Baseband Channel

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{P_R}} A \times \left( \sqrt{P_T} x[n] + \sqrt{\frac{P_T}{SNR}} w[n] \right)$$



### Transmitter Gain

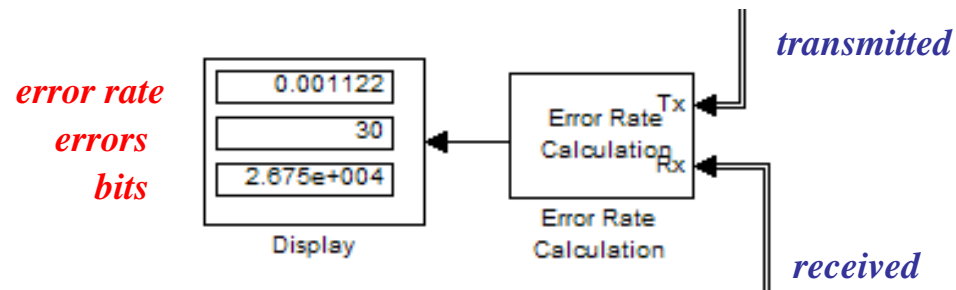
Gain:	<input type="text" value="sqrt(PT)"/>	<b>PT</b>
Multiplication:	<input type="text" value="Element-wise(K.*u)"/>	
Sample time (-1 for inherited):	<input type="text" value="-1"/>	

### Channels

> AWGN Channel

Parameters		
Initial seed:	<input type="text" value="67"/>	
Mode:	<input type="text" value="Signal to noise ratio (SNR)"/>	
SNR (dB):	<input type="text" value="SNR"/>	<b>SNR</b>
Input signal power (watts):	<input type="text" value="PT"/>	<b>PT</b>

# Analysis of Data by Computer Simulation



## Blocks:

- Comms Sinks > Error Rates Calculation
- Simulink > Sinks > Display

## Lab2: Digital Communications Fundamentals

Given a digital Communication System defined by the following parameters:

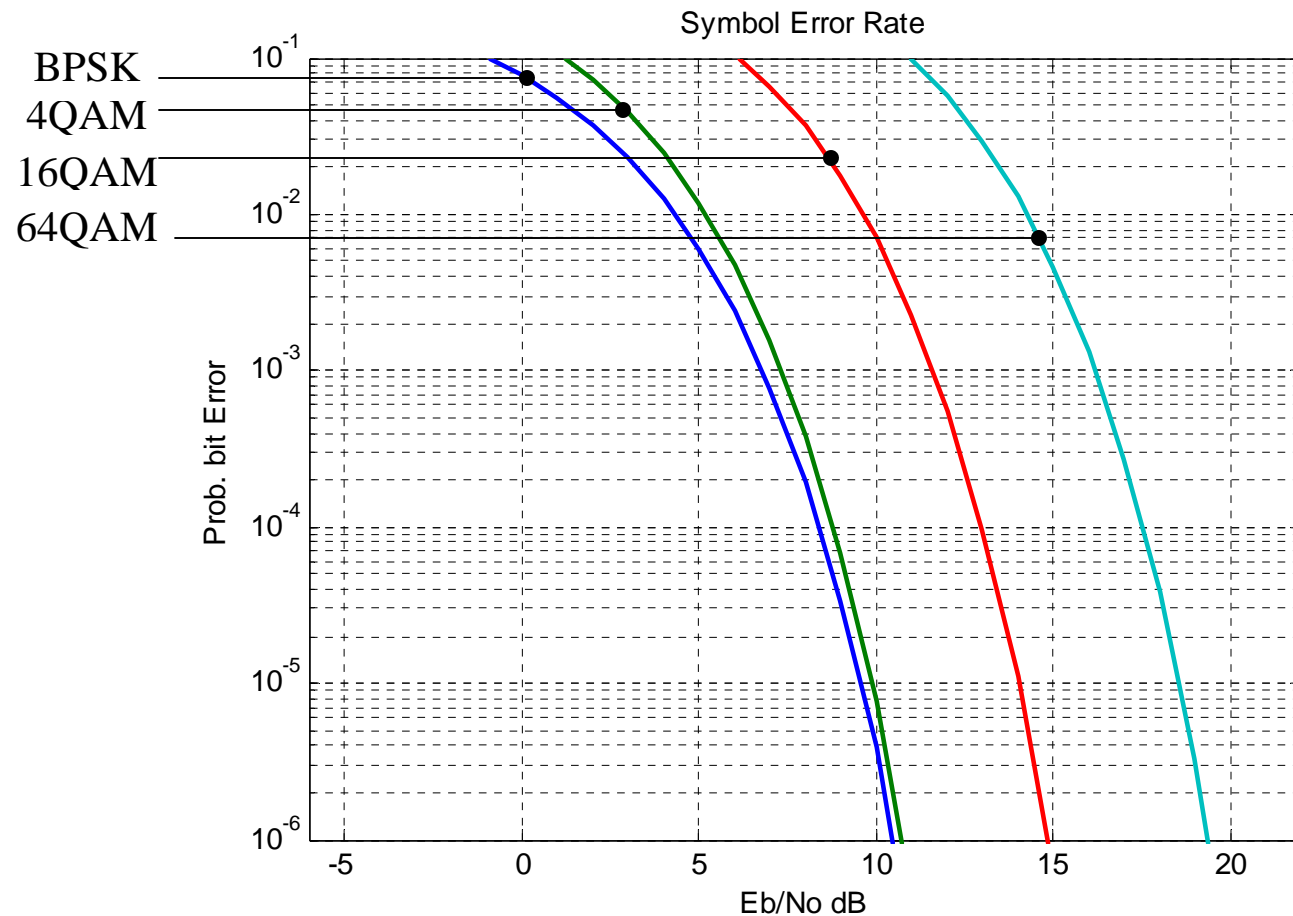
$M=4;$	% MQAM modulation
$F_s=10^6;$	% symbol rate (1/sec)
$P_T=2;$	% Transmitted Power in Watts
$A=1/50;$	% Channel Attenuation
$P_R=A*P_T;$	% Received Power

1. Simulate the system for the following values of the Signal to Noise Ratio:  
SNR=5,10,20dB
2. For each case determine the probability of bit error experimentally
3. Compare with the theoretical values

References: **AWGN\_no\_coding.mdl**

**bit\_error.m**

# Probability of Symbol Error



$$\text{Probability of Bit Error} = \frac{\text{Probability of Symbol Error}}{\log_2(M)}$$

## **3. Channel Models**

- 1. Introduction and Channel Losses**
- 2. Models of Fading Channels**
- 3. Channel Parameterization**
- 4. Estimation of Channel Parameters from Data**



# 1. Introduction and Channel Losses

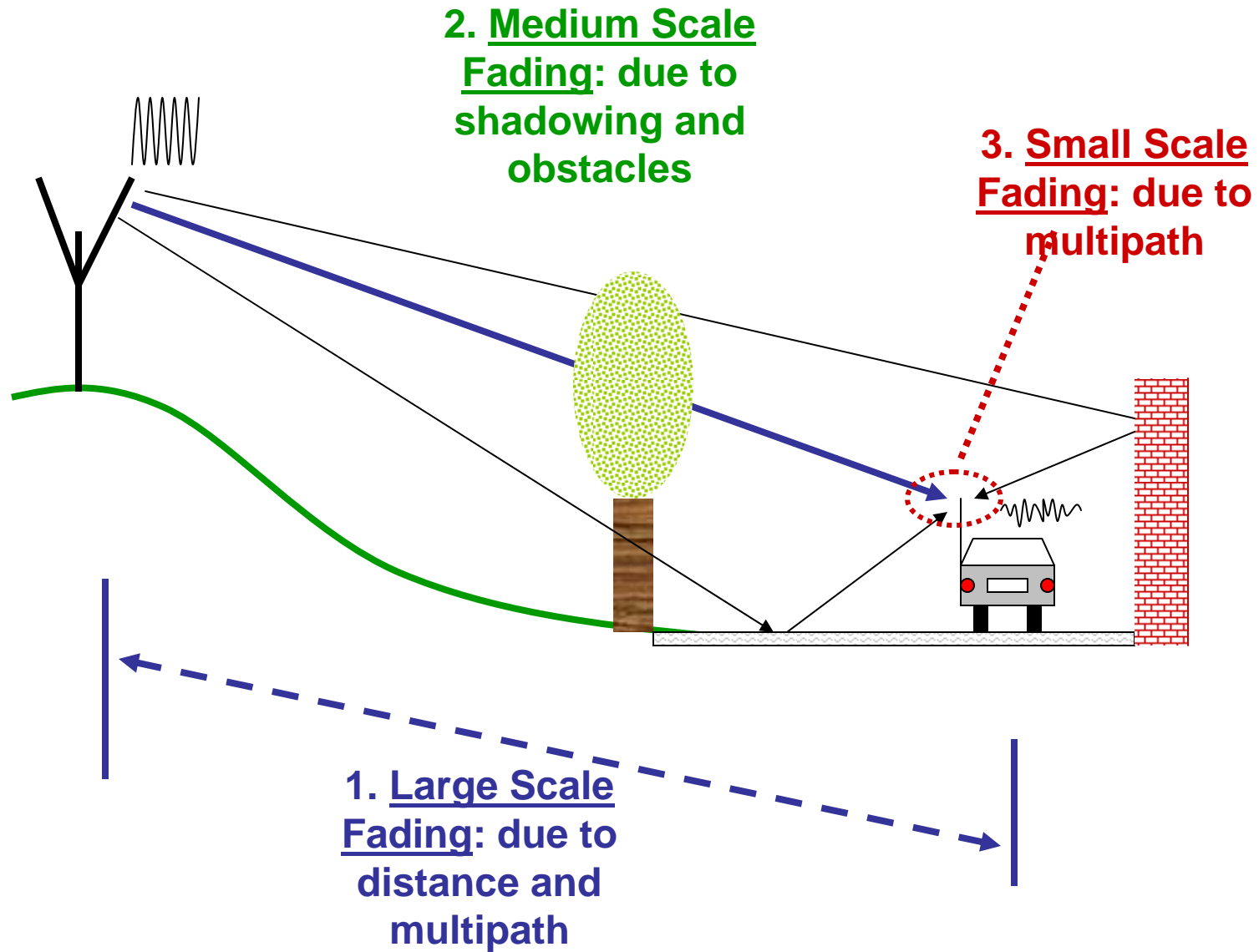
- 1.1. Large Scale fading: Free Space Losses**
- 1.2. Medium Scale Fading: Shadowing**
- 1.3. Small Scale Fading: Multipath**

## References:



**A. Goldsmith, Wireless Communications, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2005 – Chapter 2.**

# Signal Losses due to three Effects:

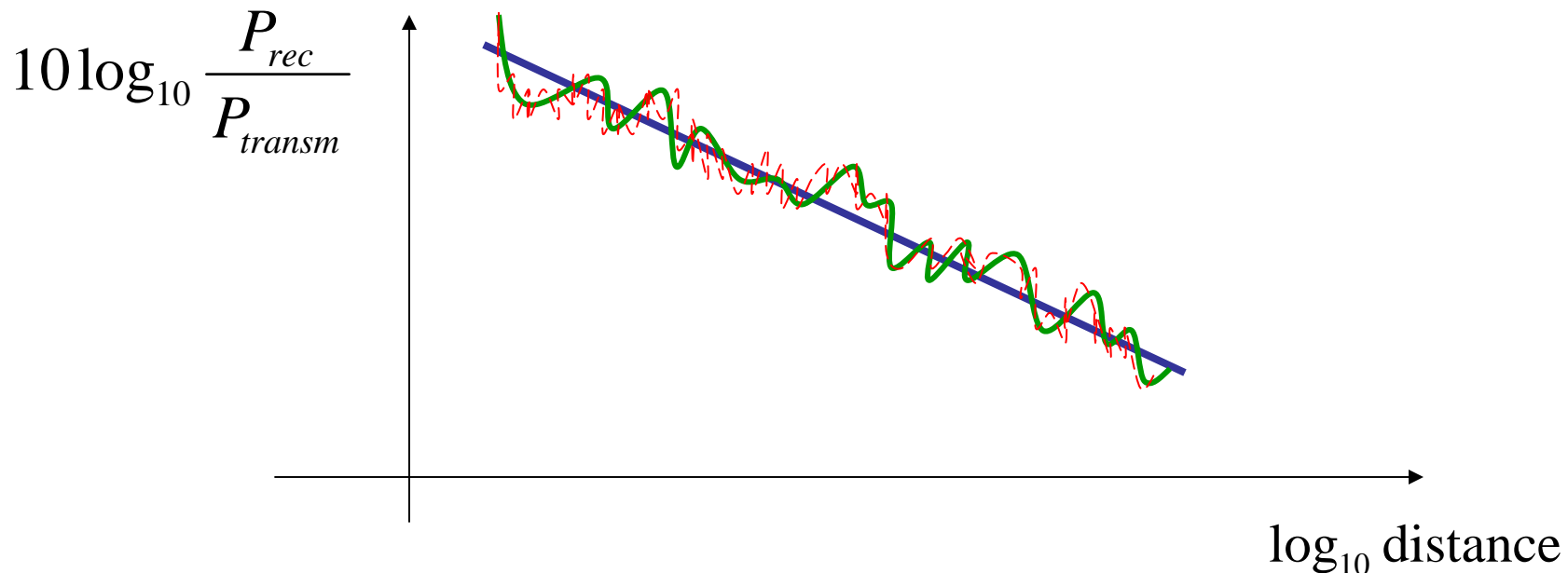


# Wireless Channel

**Frequencies of Interest:** in the UHF (.3GHz – 3GHz) and SHF (3GHz – 30 GHz) bands;

**Several Effects:**

- **Path Loss** due to dissipation of energy: it depends on distance only
- **Shadowing** due to obstacles such as buildings, trees, walls. Is caused by absorption, reflection, scattering ...
- Self-Interference due to **Multipath**.



# Line of Sight and Frequencies

Frequencies:

30GHz

SHF

6GHz

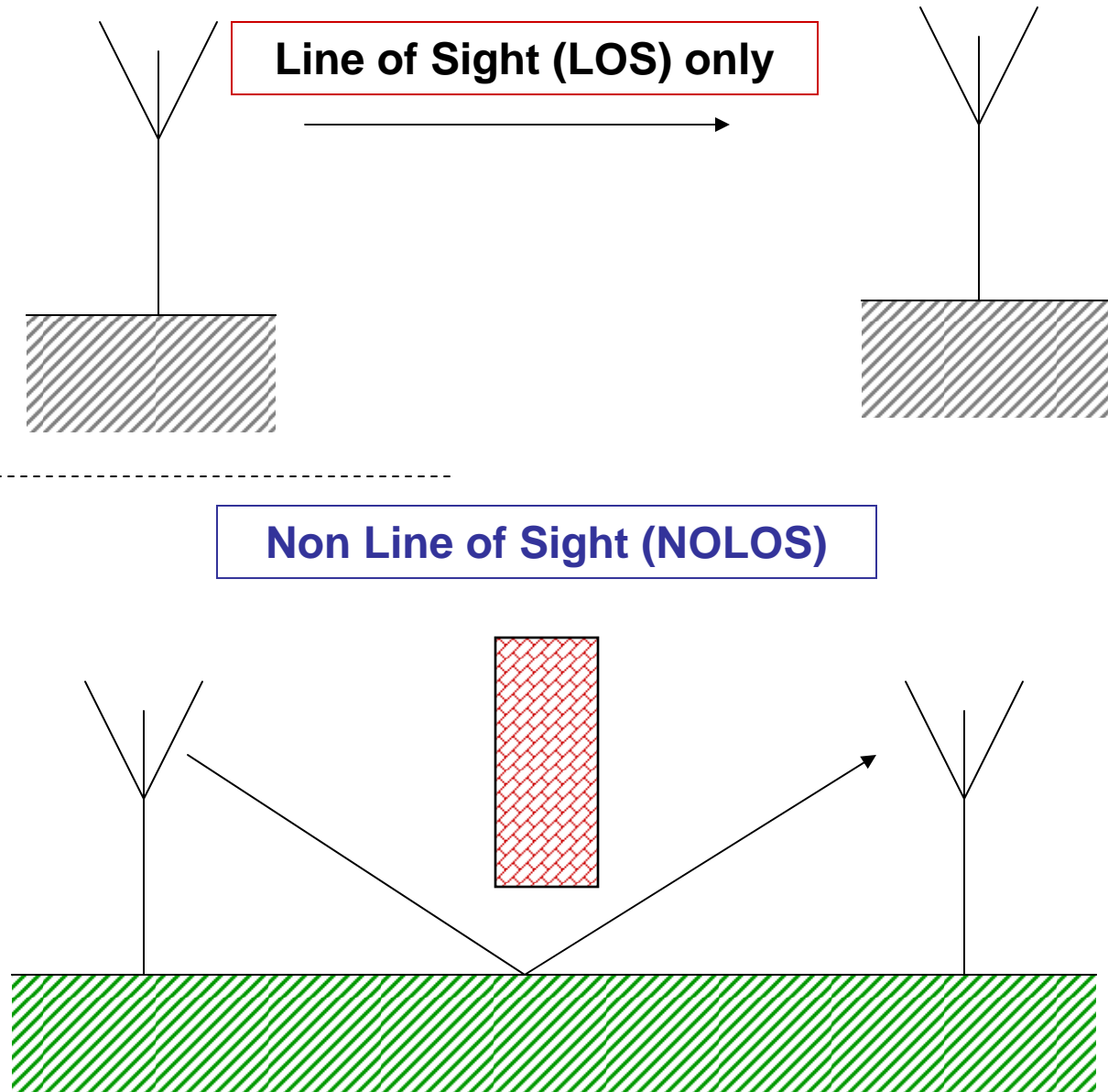
3GHz

UHF

300MHz

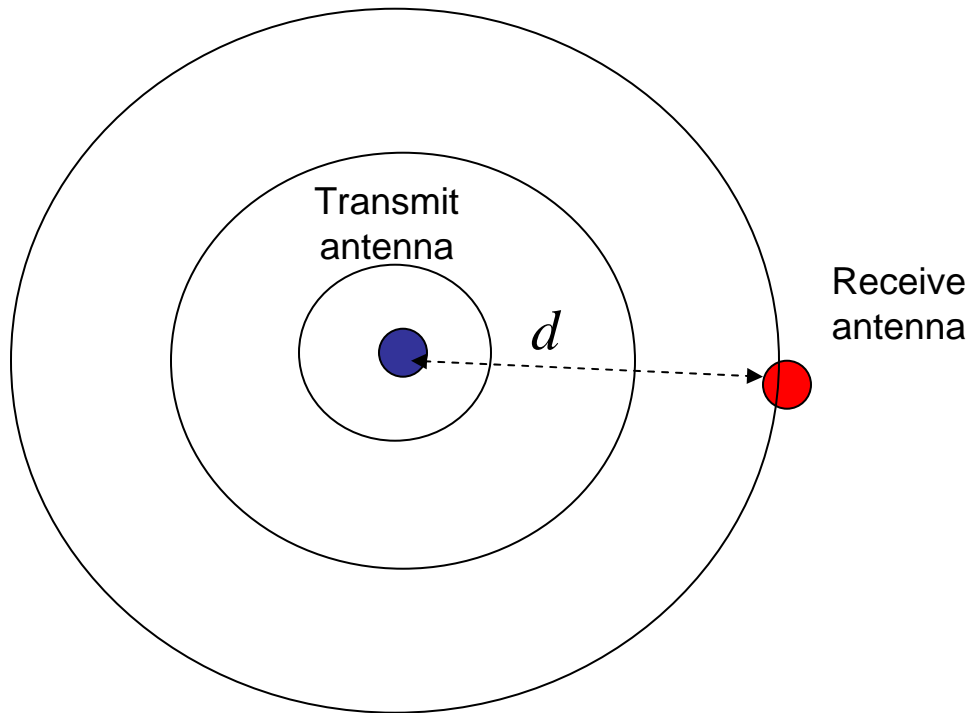
Line of Sight (LOS) only

Non Line of Sight (NOLOS)



# 1.1. Large Scale Propagation: Free Space

Path Loss due to Free Space Propagation:



For *isotropic* antennas:

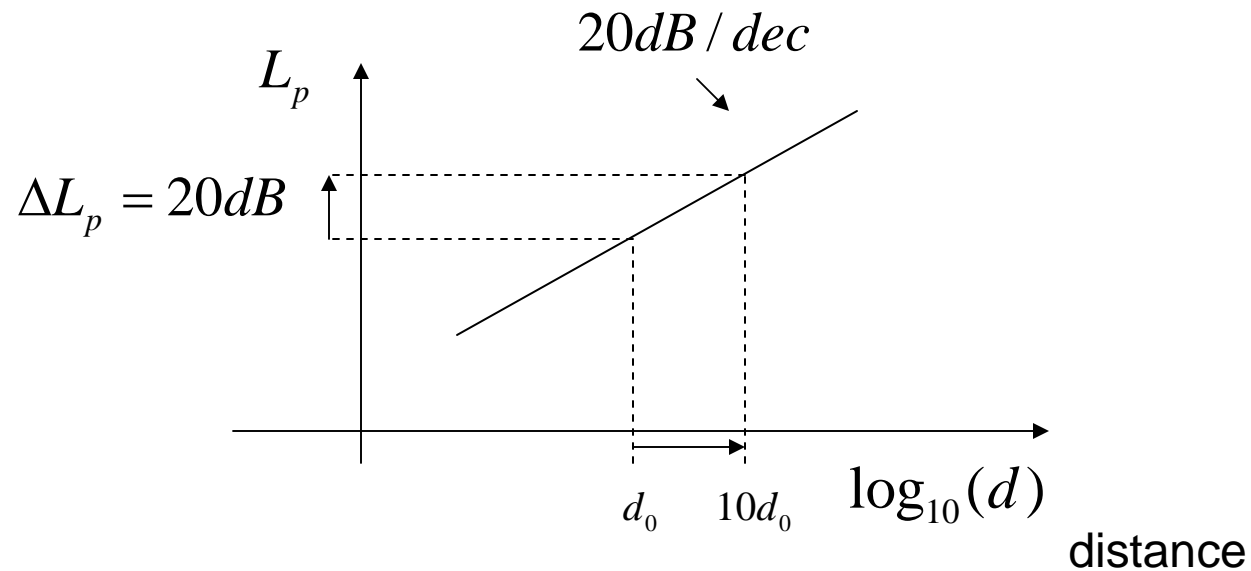
$$P_{rec} = \left( \frac{\lambda}{4\pi d} \right)^2 P_{transm}$$

wavelength  $\lambda = \frac{c}{F}$

Path Loss in dB:

$$L = 10\log_{10} \left( \frac{P_{transm}}{P_{rec}} \right) = 20\log_{10}(F(MHz)) + 20\log_{10}(d(km)) + 32.45$$

## Free Space Attenuation



$$L_{p1} - L_{p2} = 20dB \Rightarrow P_{rec1} = P_{rec2} / 100$$

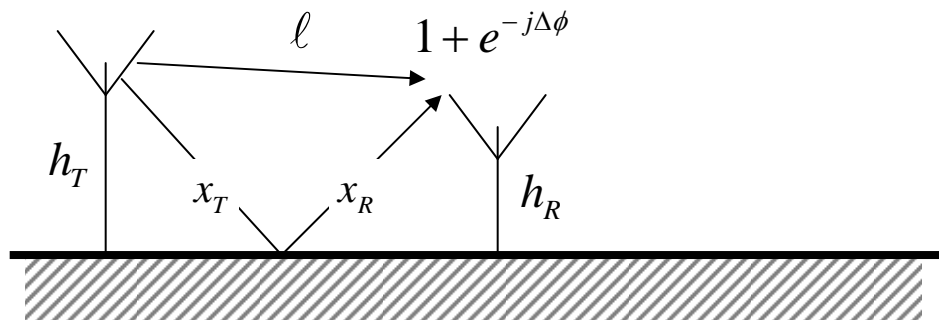
Valid for:

- Satellite Communications
- Point to Point LOS Microwave
- Reference for Path Loss Models

## Multipath Models: Two Ray Reflection

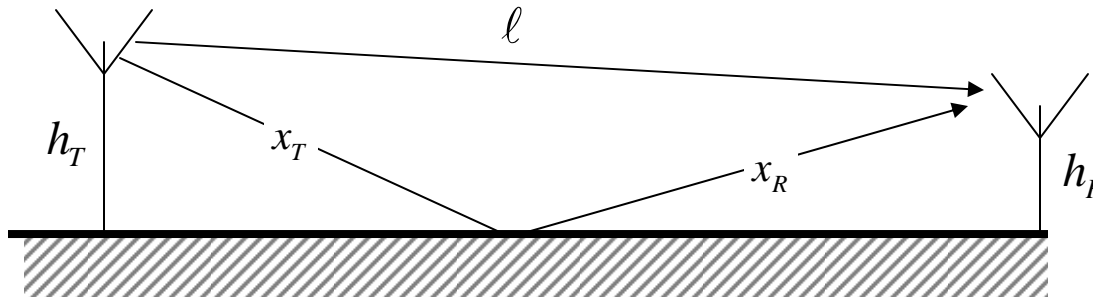
Typical of open environments such as rural roads

- Small to medium distances

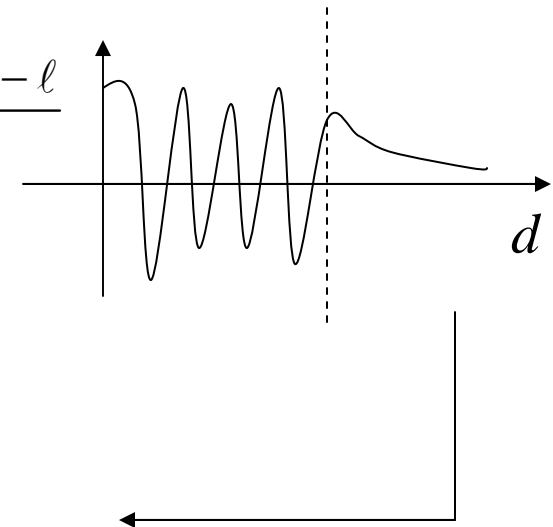


constructive/destructive interference

- Large distances

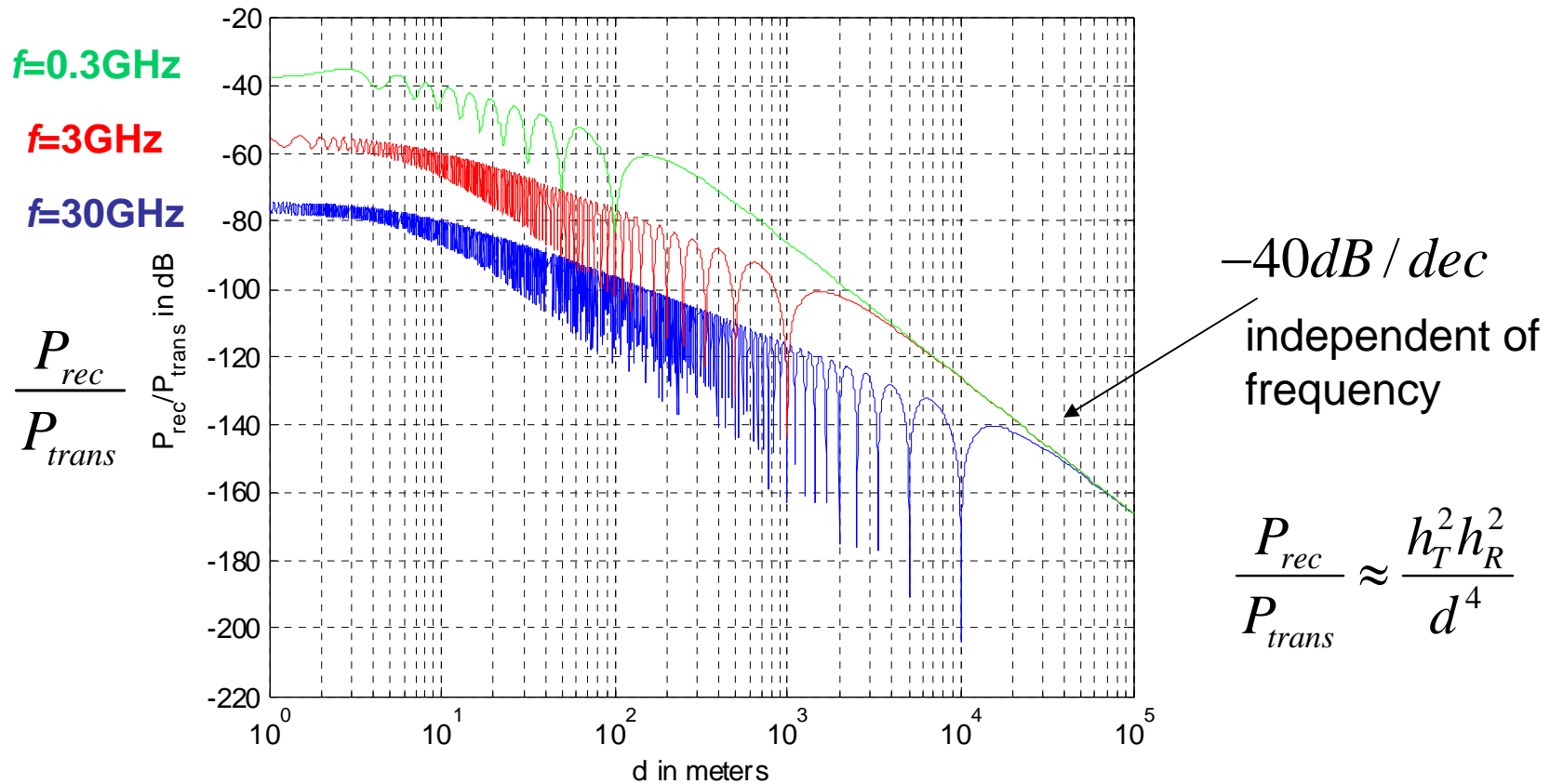


$$\Delta\phi = 2\pi \frac{x_T + x_R - \ell}{\lambda}$$



monotonic

## Two Ray Model Power Received



**Assume: reflecting surface a pure dielectric**



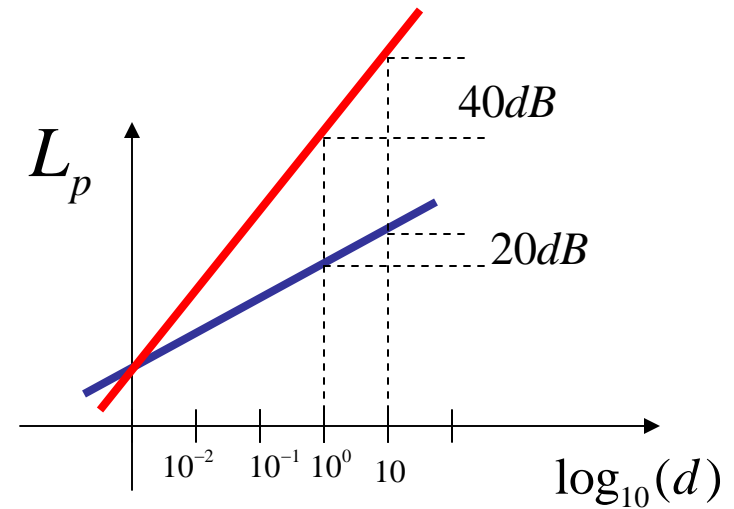
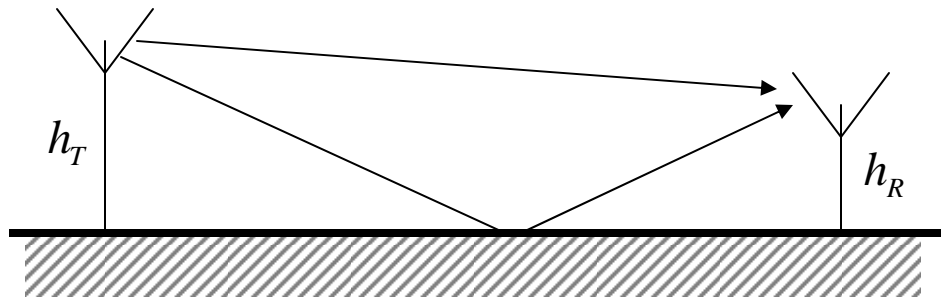
## Compare the two:

### Free Space:

$$L_p = -20 \log_{10}(\pi\lambda / 4) + 20 \log_{10}(d)$$

### Two Ray Approximation:

$$L_p = -20 \log_{10}(h_T h_R) + 40 \log_{10}(d)$$



## 2. Medium Scale Fading: Losses due to Buildings, Trees, Hills, Walls ...

The Power Loss in dB is random:

$$L_p = E\{L_p\} + \chi$$

↑  
expected value

↑  
random, zero mean  
approximately gaussian with  
 $\sigma \approx 6-12 \text{ dB}$

## Average Loss

$$E\{L_p\} = 10\gamma \log_{10}\left(\frac{d}{d_0}\right) + L_0 \quad \text{dB}$$

Free space loss at reference distance

Path loss exponent

Reference distance

- indoor 1-10m
- outdoor 10-100m

Values for Exponent  $\gamma$  :

Free Space	2
Urban	2.7-3.5
Indoors (LOS)	1.6-1.8
Indoors(NLOS)	4-6

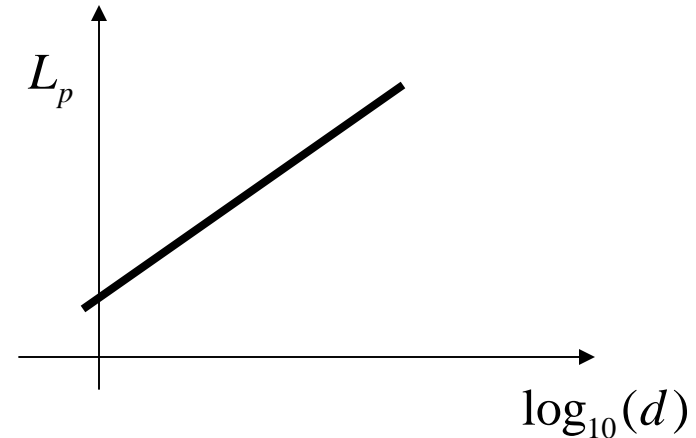
## Empirical Models for Propagation Losses to Environment

- **Okumura**: urban macrocells 1-100km, frequencies 0.15-1.5GHz, BS antenna 30-100m high;
- **Hata**: similar to Okumura, but simplified
- **COST 231**: Hata model extended by European study to 2GHz

## Typical: Hata Models (1980)

Frequencies 0.15-1.5GHz

Propagation Loss  $L_p = \alpha + \beta \log_{10}(d)$



$$\beta = 44.9 - 6.55 \log_{10}(h)$$

$$\text{urban } \alpha = \alpha_0 = 69.55 + 26.16 \log_{10}(f) - 13.82 \log_{10}(h_T) - a(h_R)$$

$$\text{suburban } \alpha = \alpha_0 - 2 \log_{10}^2(f / 28) - 5.4$$

$$\text{rural } \alpha = \alpha_0 - 4.78 \log_{10}^2(f) + 18.33 \log_{10}(f) - 40.94$$

where

$f$  = frequency in MHz

$h_T, h_R$  = transmitter antenna elevation over average terrain (in meters)

$a(h_R)$  corrective factor for receiver antenna

Receiver antenna correcting factor

Small to medium city

$$a(h_R) = (1.1 \log_{10}(f) - 0.7) h_R - (1.56 \log_{10}(f) - 0.8) \quad dB$$

Large city

$$a(h_R) = 3.2 (\log_{10}(11.75 h_R))^2 - 4.97 \quad dB$$

## COST 231 Model: Urban Model

Propagation Loss

$$L_p = \alpha + \beta \log_{10}(d) + C_M$$

$$\beta = 44.9 - 6.55 \log_{10}(h)$$

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 = 46.3 + 33.9 \log_{10}(f) - 13.82 \log_{10}(h_T) - a(h_R)$$

where

$$C_M = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ dB} & \text{medium sized city and suburbs} \\ 3 \text{ dB} & \text{metropolitan area} \end{cases}$$

Restrictions:

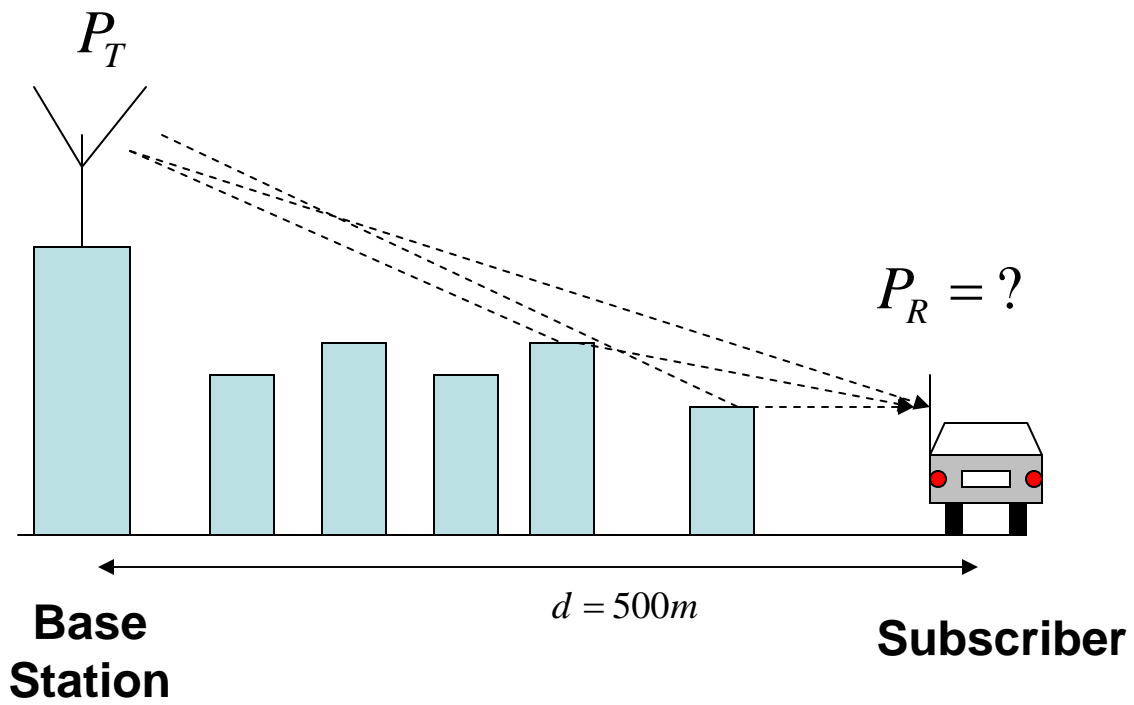
$$1.5 \text{ GHz} < f < 2 \text{ GHz}$$

$$30 \text{ m} < h_T < 200 \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ m} < h_R < 10 \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ km} < d < 20 \text{ km}$$

**Example:**





**Given:**

**Channel:**  $L_p = 10\gamma \log_{10} \left( \frac{d}{d_0} \right) + L_0 + \chi$   
 $d_0 = 1m$   
 $L_0 = 45dB$   
 $\gamma = 3$   
 $\sigma = 6dB$

**Transmitted Power:**

$$1.0Watt = 30dBm$$

**Bandwidth:** 10MHz

**Noise:**  $N_0 = -174dBm / Hz$  **thermal**

**Then:**

**Received Power:**  $P_R = 30 - L_p = 30 - (10 \times 3 \times \log_{10} 500 + 45) + \chi = -96dBm + \chi$

**Noise at the Receiver:**  $P_{Noise} = -174 + 10 \log_{10} 10^7 = -104dBm$

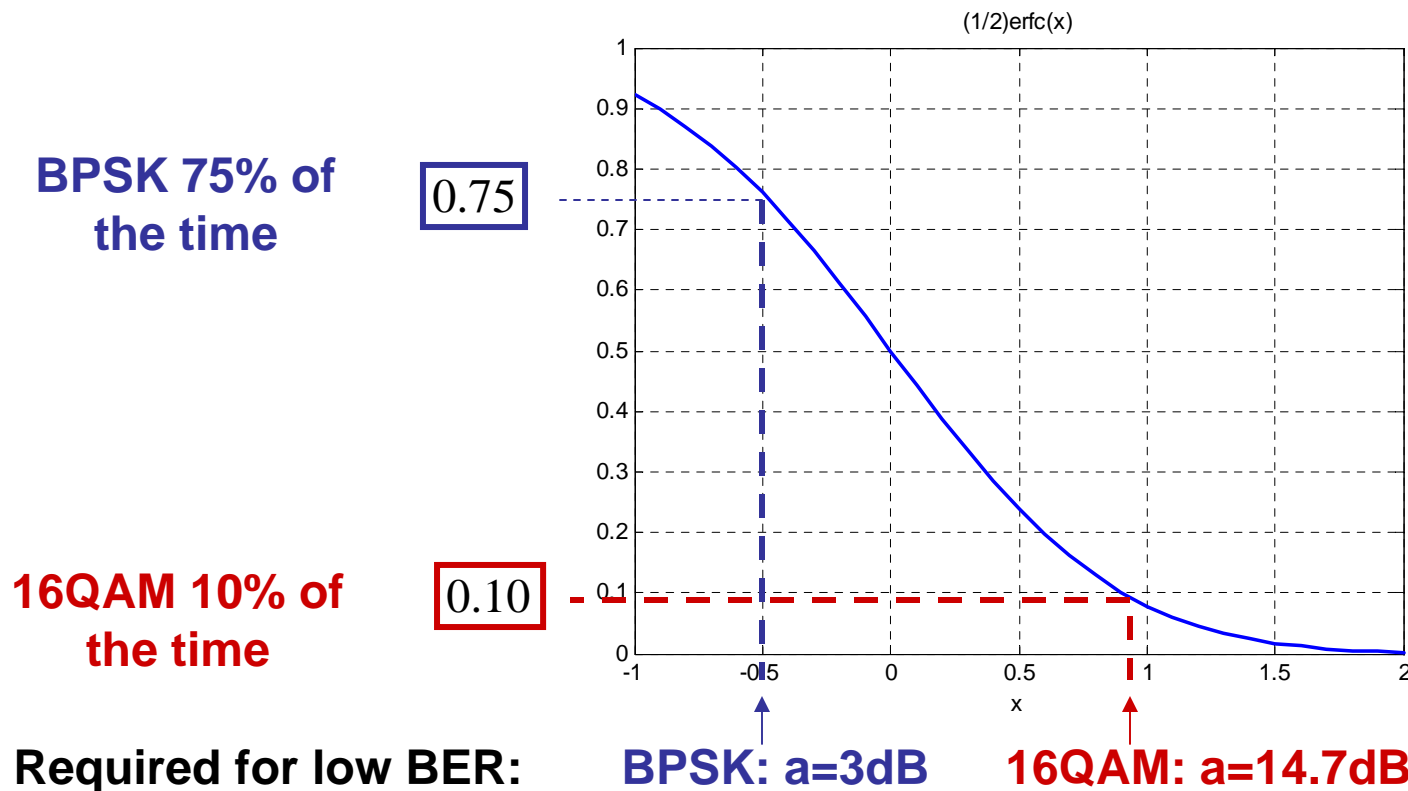
**SNR at the receiver:**  $SNR = -96 + \chi - (-104) = 8 + \chi \text{ dB}$   
↑ **random**

## Probability that the SNR is sufficiently large

$$P(\chi > a) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \int_a^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)$$

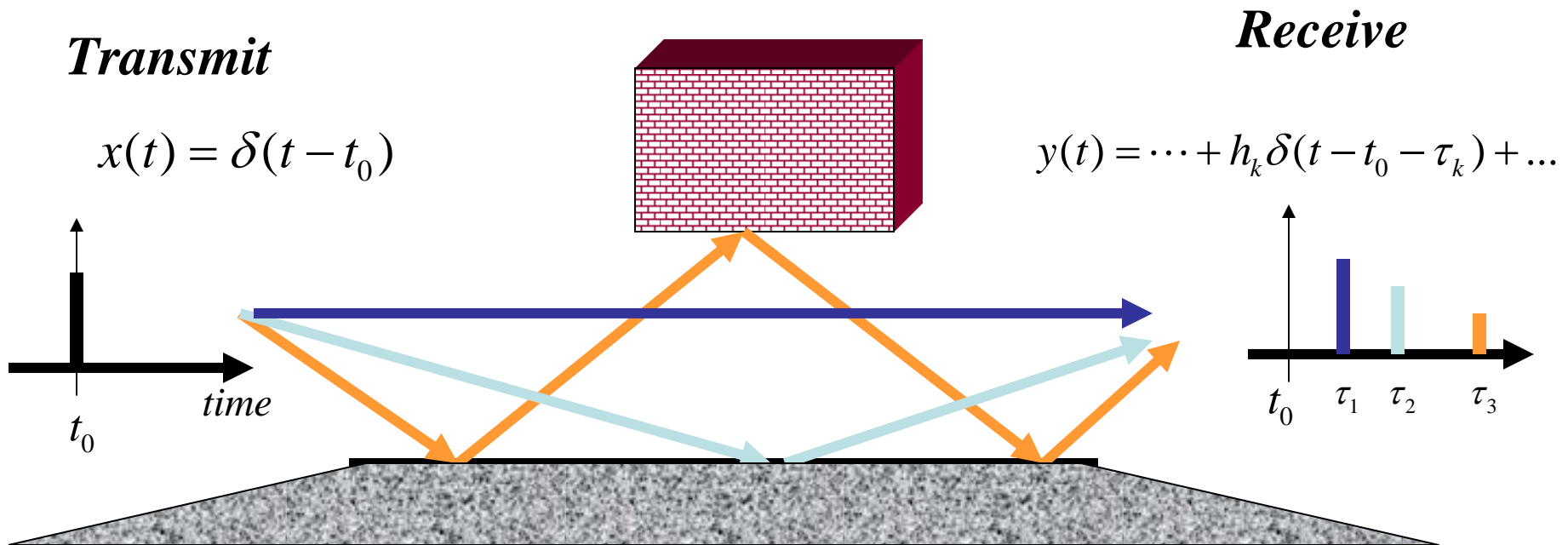
Where we define  $\operatorname{erfc}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_x^{+\infty} e^{-t^2} dt$

$$P(\operatorname{SNR} > a) = P(8 + \chi > a) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{a-8}{\sqrt{2} \cdot 6}\right)$$



### 3. Small Scale Fading due to Multipath.

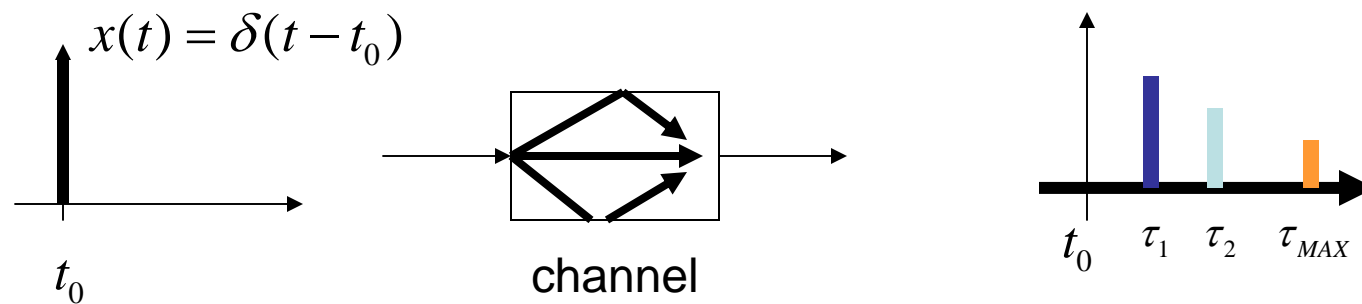
a. **Spreading in Time:** different paths have different lengths;



Example for 100m path difference we have a time delay

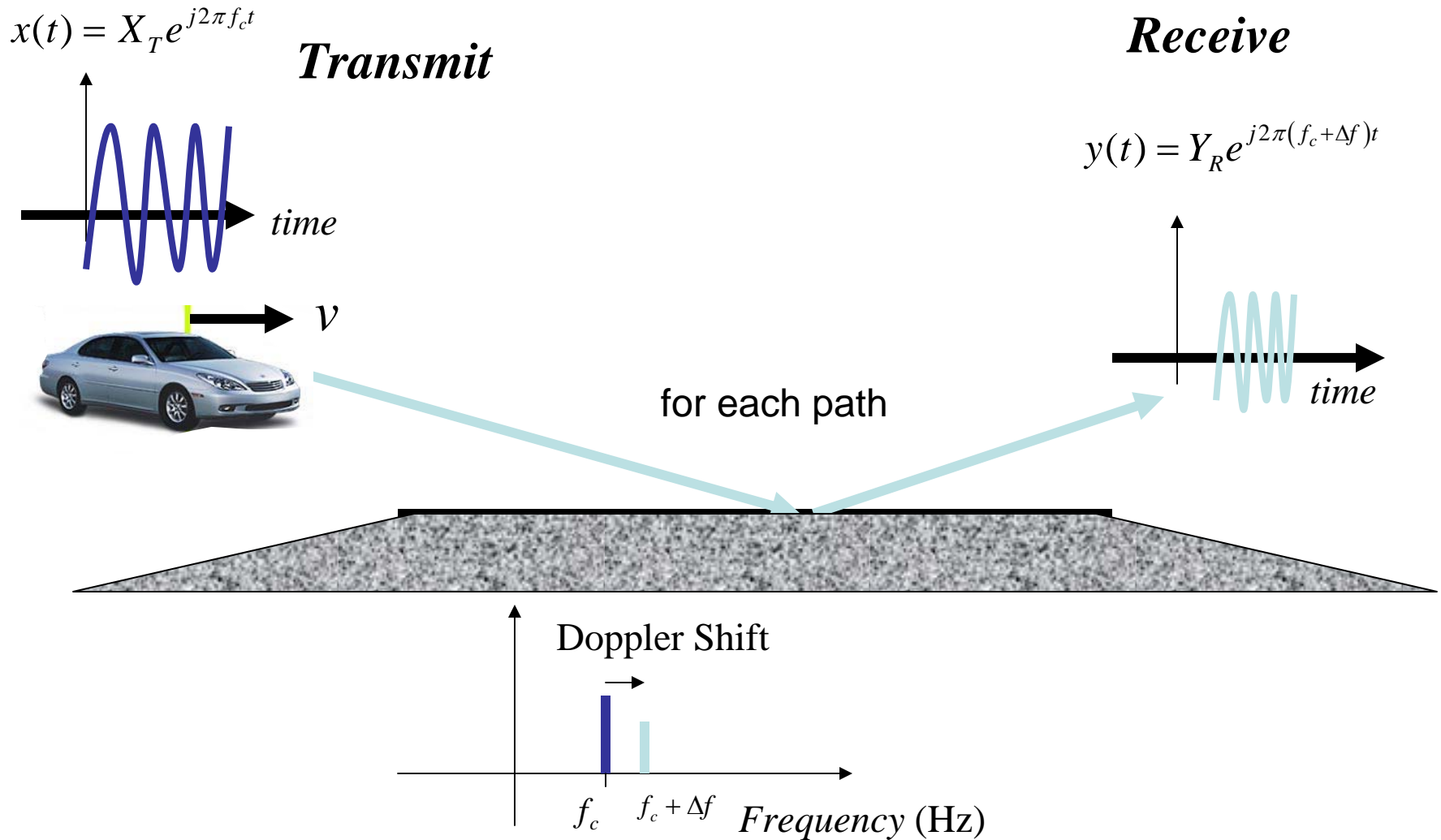
$$\tau = \frac{100}{c} = \frac{10^2}{3 \times 10^8} = \frac{1}{3} \mu\text{sec}$$

Typical values channel time spread:

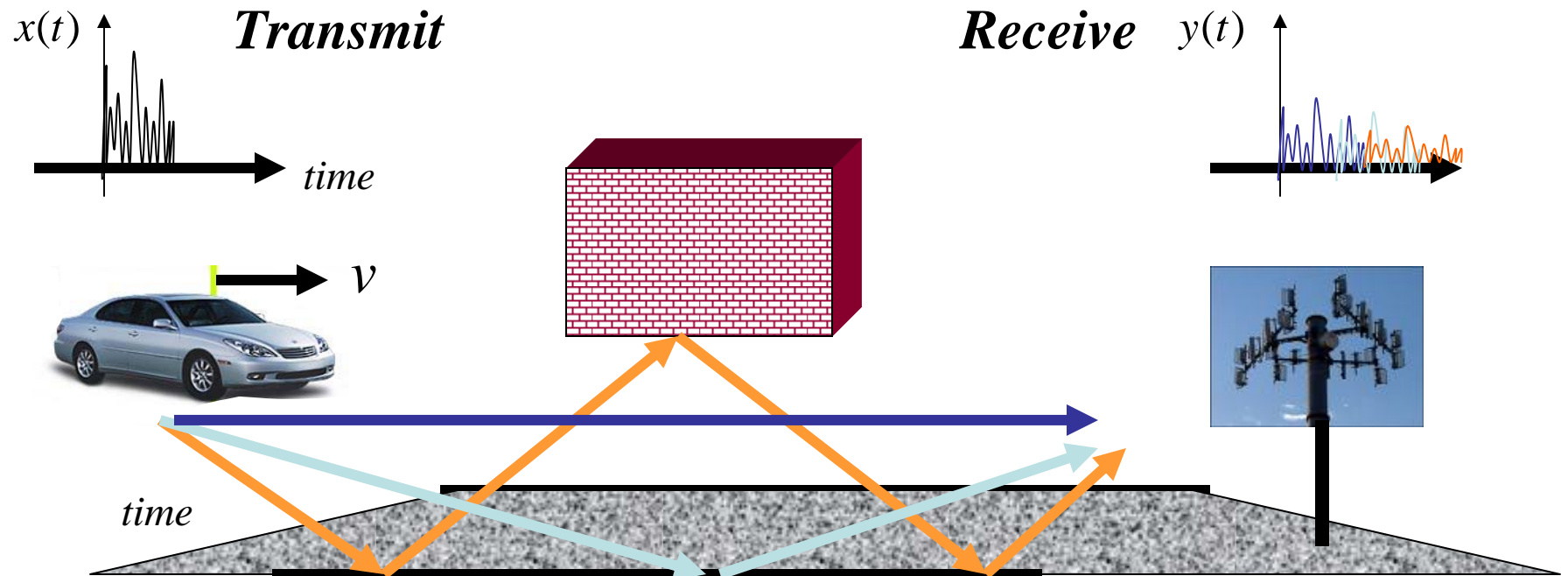


Indoor	$10 - 50 \text{ n sec}$
Suburbs	$2 \times 10^{-1} - 2 \text{ } \mu\text{sec}$
Urban	$1 - 3 \text{ } \mu\text{sec}$
Hilly	$3 - 10 \text{ } \mu\text{sec}$

## b. Spreading in Frequency: motion causes frequency shift (Doppler)



Put everything together



Each path has ...

... attenuation ...

... shift in time ...

$$y(t) = \text{Re} \left\{ \sum_k a_k x(t - \tau_k) e^{j2\pi(F_c + \Delta F_k)(t - \tau_k)} \right\}$$

... shift in frequency ...

The equation shows the received signal  $y(t)$  as the real part of a sum over paths  $k$ . The terms  $a_k$ ,  $\tau_k$ , and  $\Delta F_k$  are highlighted in green, blue, and red respectively, corresponding to the labels above.

(this causes small scale time variations)

## 2. Models of Fading Channels

**2.1. Statistical Models of Fading Channels**

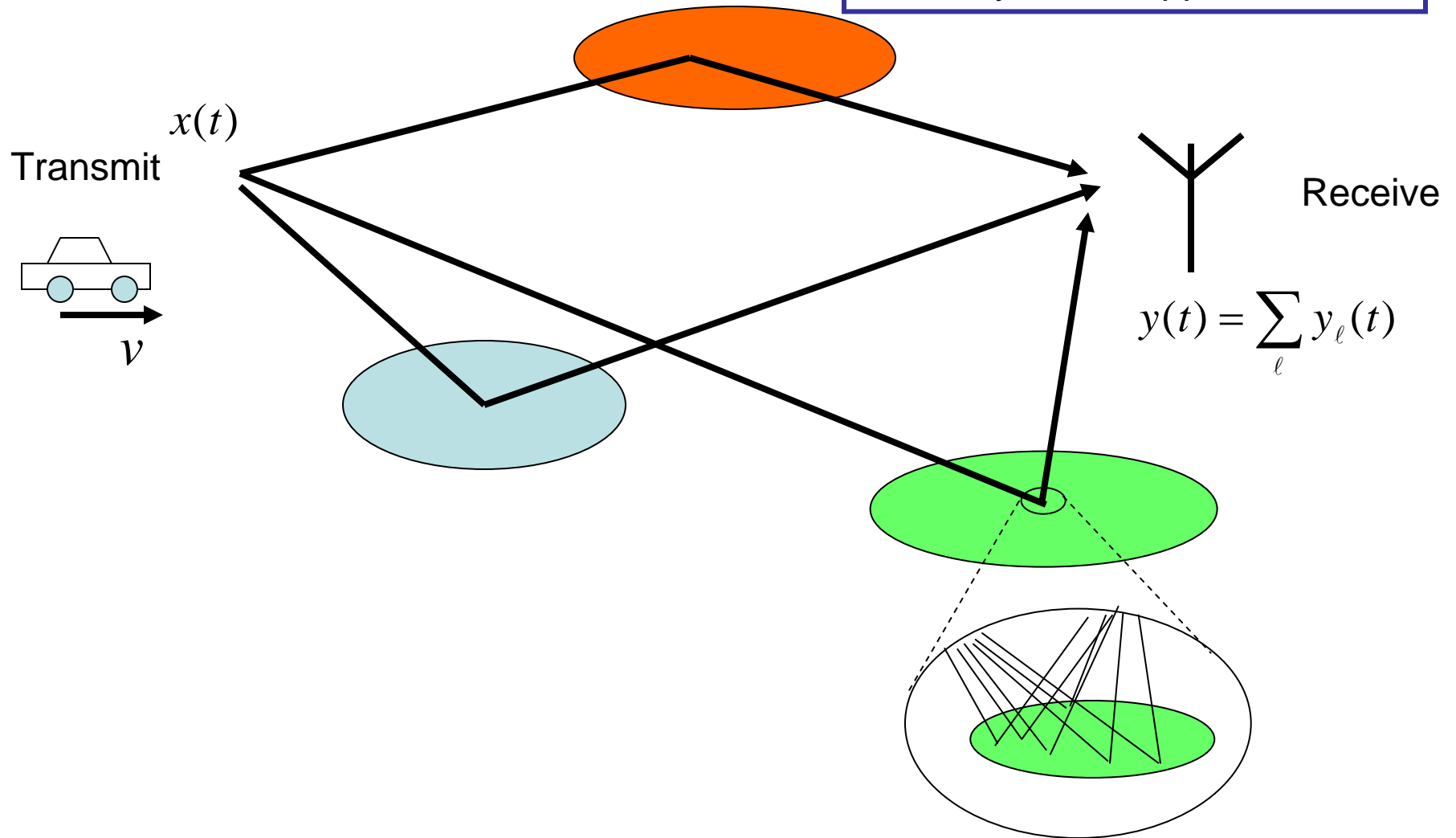
**2.2. Non Line of Sight (Rayleigh) and Line of Sight (Rice) Channels**

**2.3. Simulink Example**

## 2.1 Statistical Models of Fading Channels

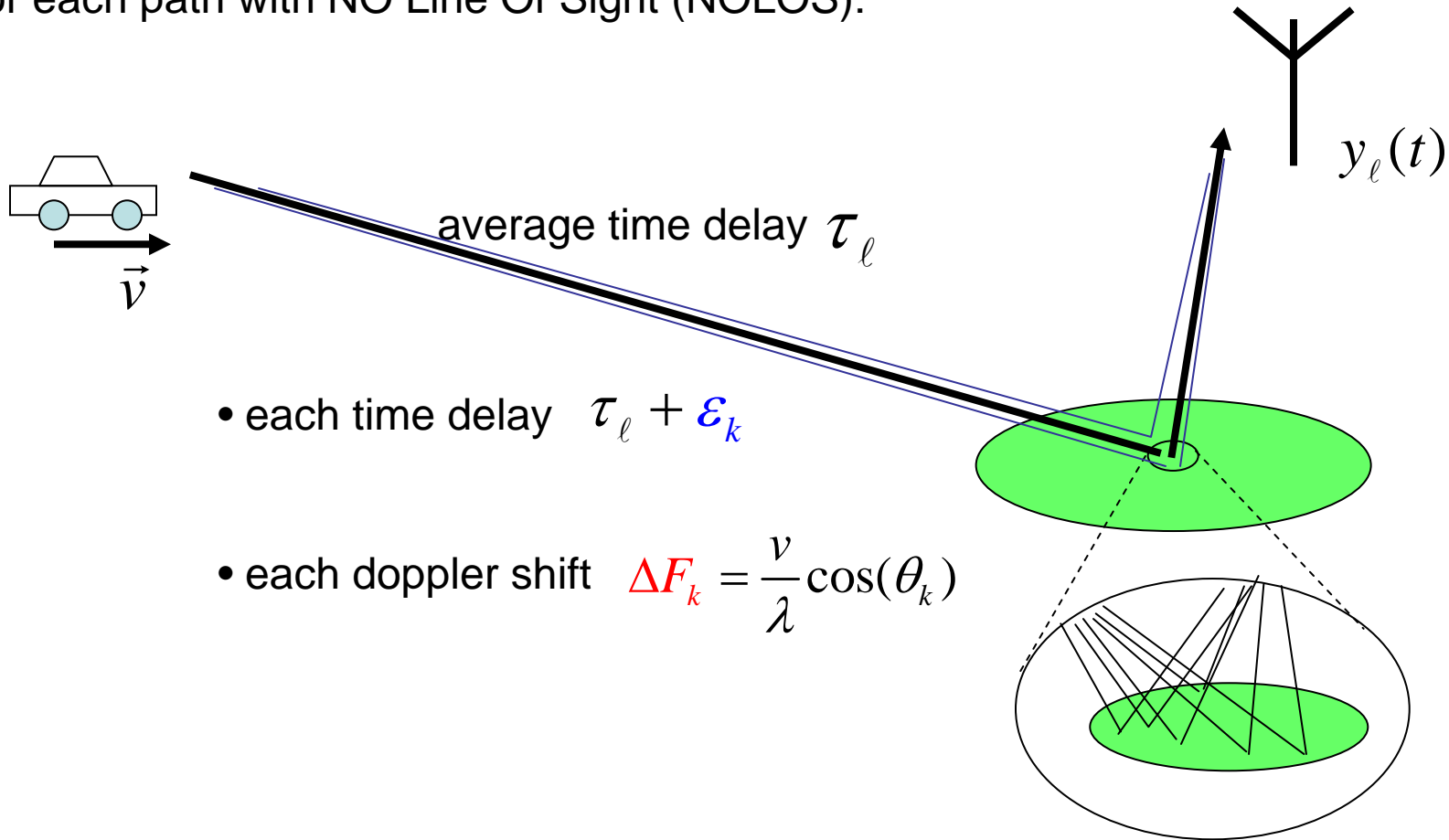
Several Reflectors:

each reflector has several paths all with different time delays and doppler shifts





For each path with NO Line Of Sight (NOLOS):



$$y_\ell(t) = \text{Re} \left\{ \left( \sum_k a_k e^{j2\pi(F_c + \Delta F_k)(t - \tau_\ell - \epsilon_k)} x(t - \tau_\ell - \epsilon_k) \right) \right\}$$

## Some mathematical manipulation ...

$$y(t) = \text{Re} \left\{ \left( \sum_k \mathbf{a}_k e^{j2\pi \Delta F_k t} e^{-j2\pi (F_c + \Delta F_k) \tau_k} x(t - \tau_k) \right) e^{j2\pi F_c t} \right\}$$

$$= \text{Re} \left\{ r(t) e^{j2\pi F_c t} \right\} = \underset{\uparrow}{r_I(t)} \cos(2\pi F_c t) - \underset{\uparrow}{r_Q(t)} \sin(2\pi F_c t)$$

## In Phase and Quadrature Components

$$r(t) = r_I(t) + jr_Q(t) \cong \sum_k a_k e^{j2\pi\Delta F_k t} e^{-j2\pi(F_c + \Delta F_k)(\tau_\ell + \varepsilon_k)} x(t - \tau_\ell)$$

**... leading to this:**

Assume  $x(t) \cong x(t - \varepsilon_k)$

$$r(t) = c_\ell(t)x(t - \tau_\ell)$$

with

$$c_\ell(t) = \sum_k a_k e^{j2\pi\Delta F_k t} e^{-j2\pi(F_c + \Delta F_k)(\tau_\ell + \varepsilon_k)}$$

random, time varying

Statistical Model for the time varying coefficients

$$c_\ell(t) = \sum_{k=1}^M a_k e^{j2\pi \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta_k t - j2\pi (F_c + \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta_k)(\tau_\ell + \epsilon_k)}$$

random
random

By the CLT  $c_\ell(t)$  is gaussian with:

$$E\{c_\ell(t)\} = 0 \quad \text{since } \theta_k \text{ random uniformly distributed in } [0, 2\pi]$$

$$E\{c_\ell(t)c_\ell^*(t + \Delta t)\} = \sum_{k=1}^M E\{|a_k|^2\} e^{-j2\pi \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta_k \Delta t}$$

$$\text{Assume } E\{|a_k|^2\} = \frac{P_\ell}{M}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 E\{c_\ell(t)c_\ell^*(t + \Delta t)\} &= P_\ell \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^M e^{-j2\pi \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta_k \Delta t} = P_\ell E\left\{e^{-j2\pi \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta \Delta t}\right\} \\
 &= P_\ell \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-j2\pi \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \theta \Delta t} d\theta = P_\ell J_0(2\pi F_D \Delta t)
 \end{aligned}$$

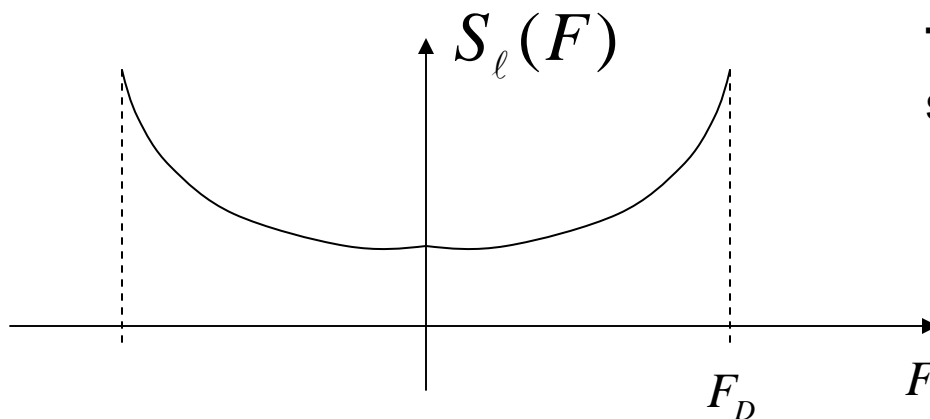
Each coefficient  $c_\ell(t)$  is complex, gaussian, WSS with autocorrelation

$$E\{c_\ell(t)c_\ell^*(t + \Delta t)\} = P_\ell J_0(2\pi F_D \Delta t)$$

And PSD

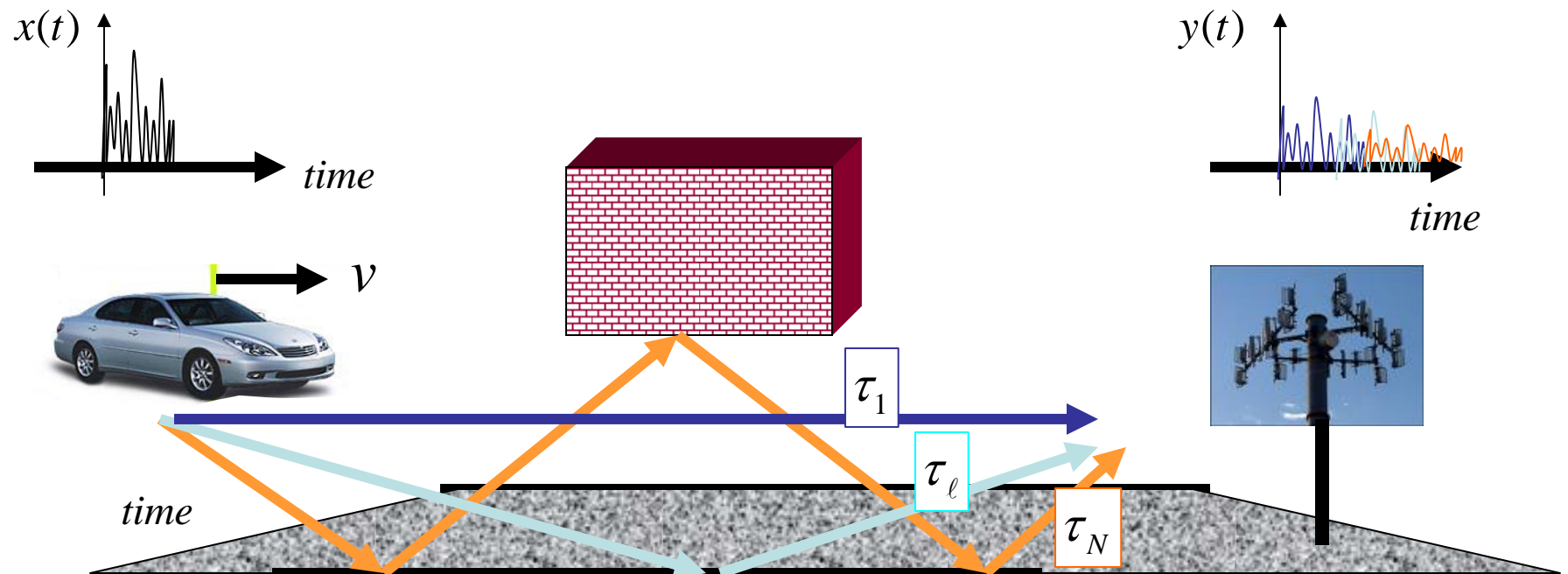
$$S_\ell(F) = \begin{cases} \frac{2P_\ell}{\pi F_D} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (F / F_D)^2}} & \text{if } |F| < F_D \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with  $F_D$  maximum Doppler frequency.

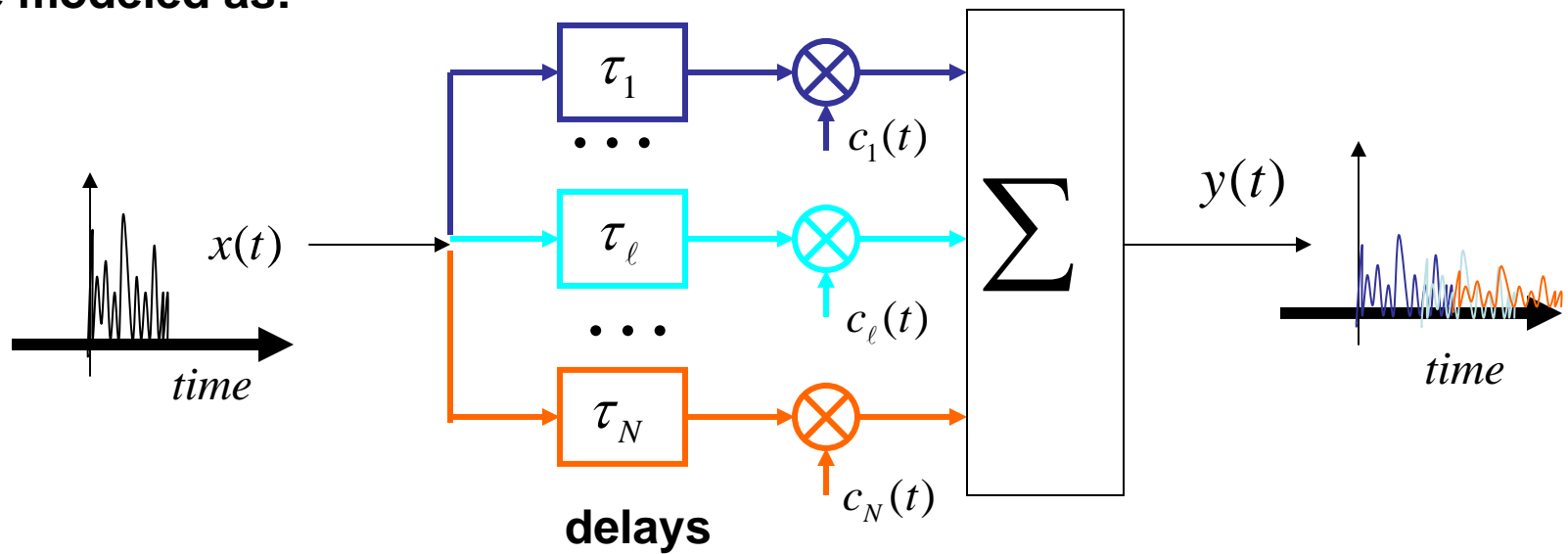


This is called *Jakes spectrum*.

**Bottom Line. This:**



**... can be modeled as:**



For each path

$$c_{\ell}(t) = \sqrt{P_{\ell}} g(t)$$

• time invariant

• from power distribution

• unit power

• time varying (from autocorrelation)

## Parameters for a Multipath Channel (No Line of Sight):

**Time delays:**  $[\tau_1 \quad \tau_2 \quad \cdots \quad \tau_L]$  **sec**

**Power Attenuations:**  $[P_1 \quad P_2 \quad \cdots \quad P_L]$  **dB**

**Doppler Shift:**  $F_D$  **Hz**

## Non Line of Sight (NOLOS) and Line of Sight (LOS) Fading Channels

1. Rayleigh (No Line of Sight).  $E\{c_\ell(t)\} = 0$

Specified by:

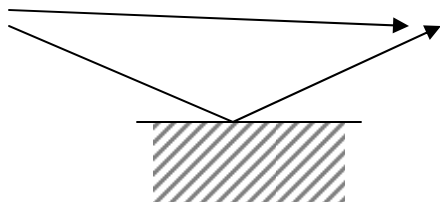
Time delays  $T = [\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_N]$

Power distribution  $P = [P_1, P_2, \dots, P_N]$

Maximum Doppler  $F_D$

2. Ricean (Line of Sight)  $E\{c_\ell(t)\} \neq 0$

Same as Rayleigh, plus Ricean Factor  $K$



Power through LOS

$$P_{LOS} = \frac{K}{1+K} P_{Total}$$

Power through NOLOS

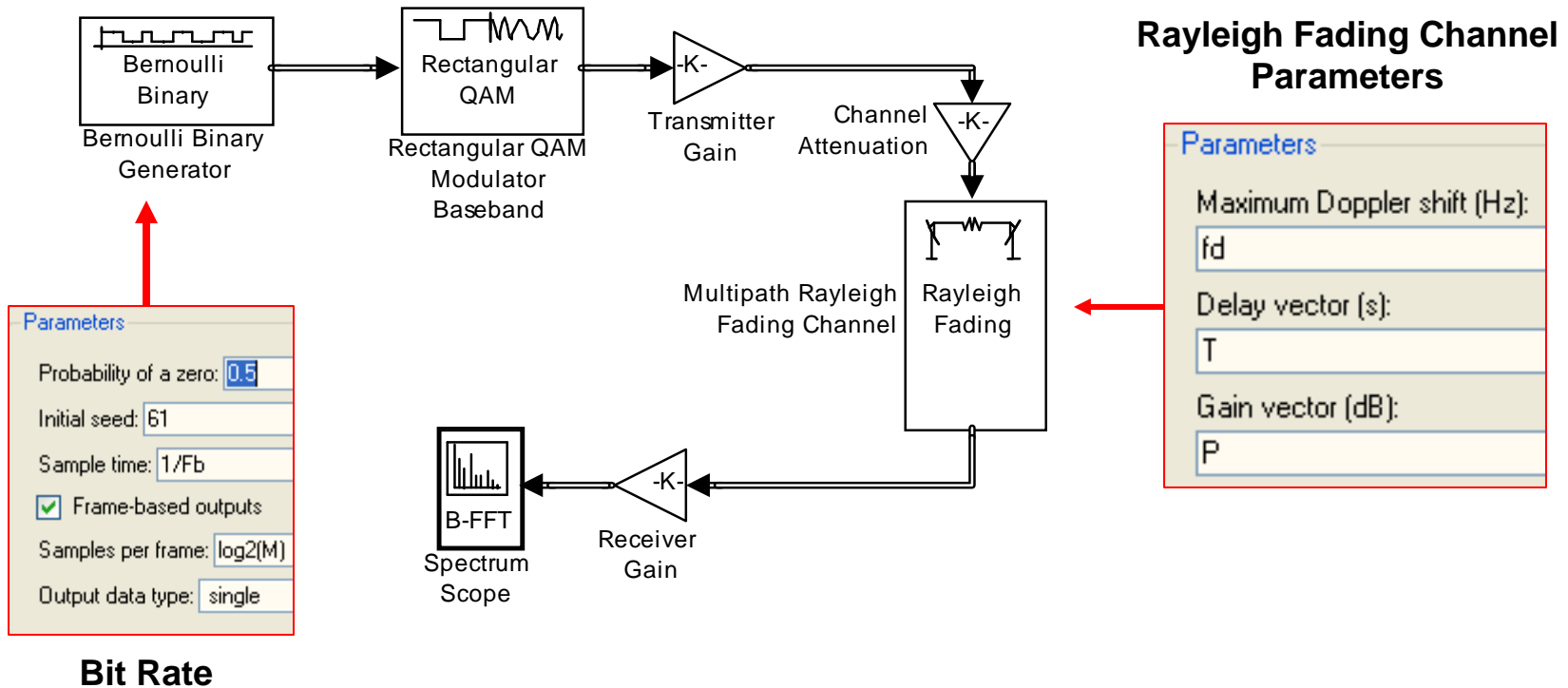
$$P_{NOLOS} = \frac{1}{1+K} P_{Total}$$



# Simulink Example

## M-QAM Modulation

Parameters	
M-ary number:	M
Input type:	Bit
Constellation ordering:	Gray
Normalization method:	Average Power

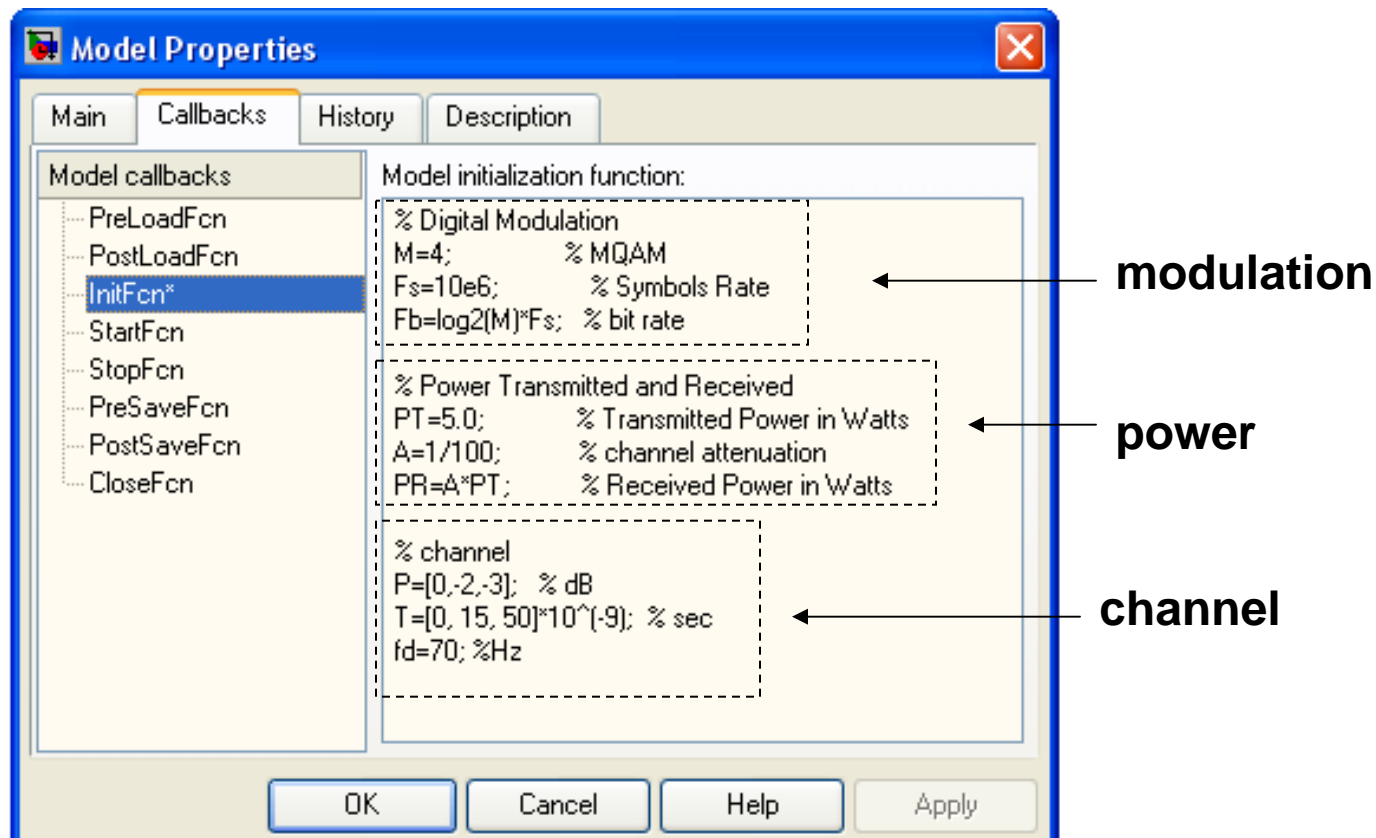


## Set Numerical Values:

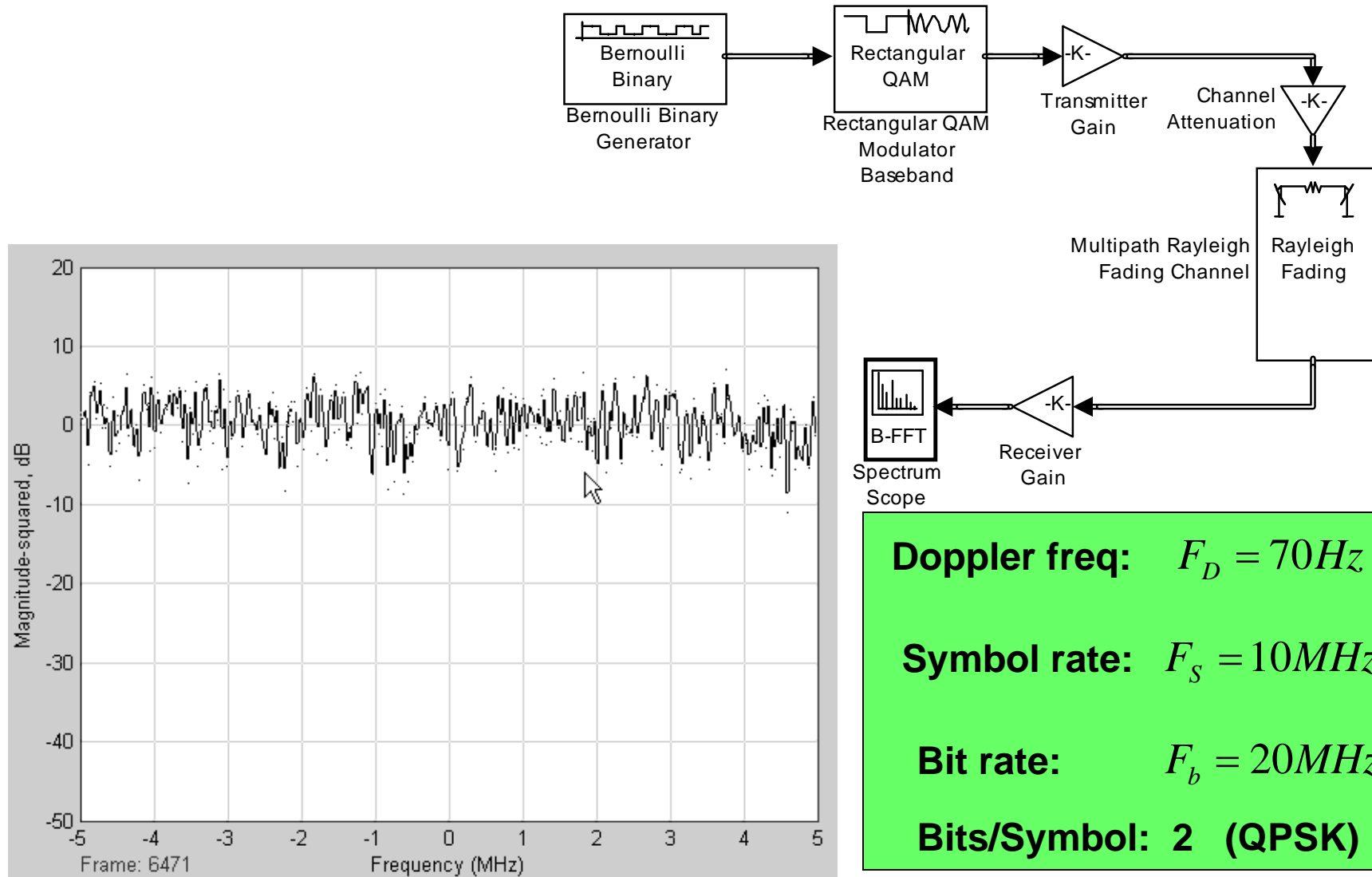
velocity  
↓  
carrier freq.

Recall the Doppler Frequency:  $F_D = \frac{v}{c} F_C$   
↑  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/sec}$

Easy to show that:  $(F_D)_{\text{Hz}} \approx (v)_{\text{km/h}} (F_C)_{\text{GHz}}$



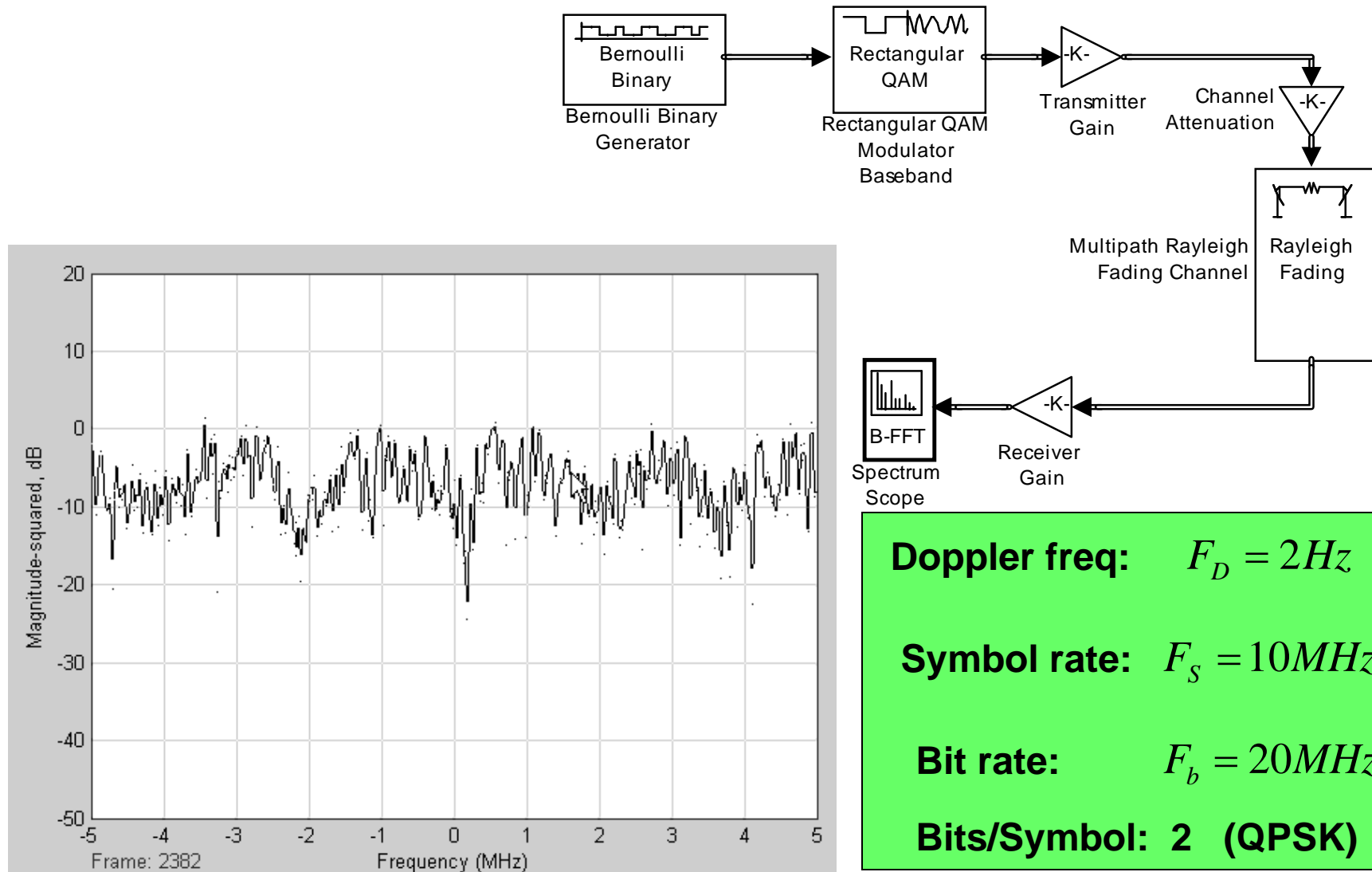
# Typical Received Power Spectrum



$\uparrow -F_S / 2$

$\uparrow F_S / 2$

## Similar Example, different parameters



↑  $-F_s / 2$

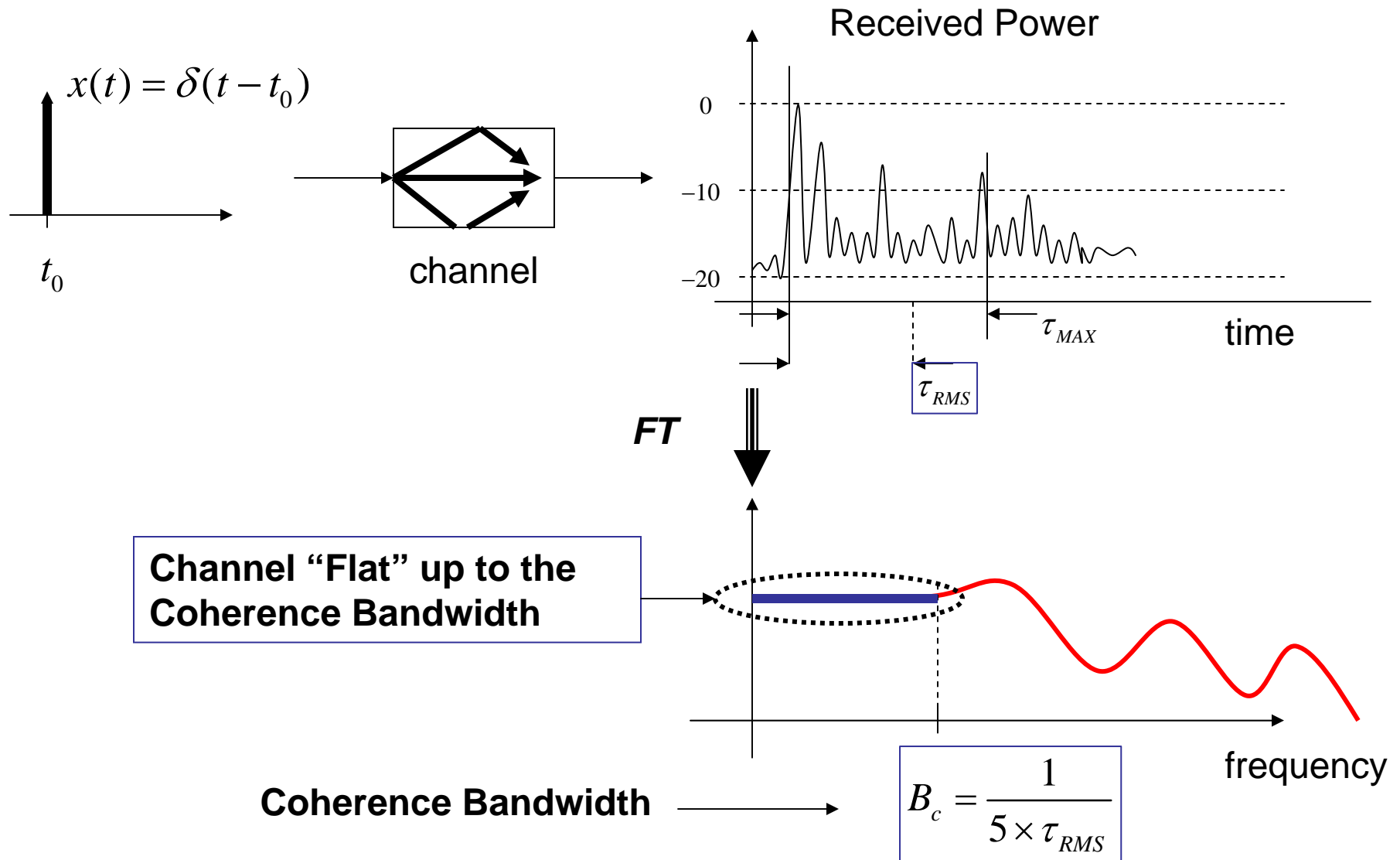
↑  $F_s / 2$

## **Channel Parameterization**

- 1. Time Spread and Frequency Coherence Bandwidth**
- 2. Flat Fading vs Frequency Selective Fading**
- 3. Doppler Frequency Spread and Time Coherence**
- 4. Slow Fading vs Fast Fading**

# 1. Time Spread and Frequency Coherence Bandwidth

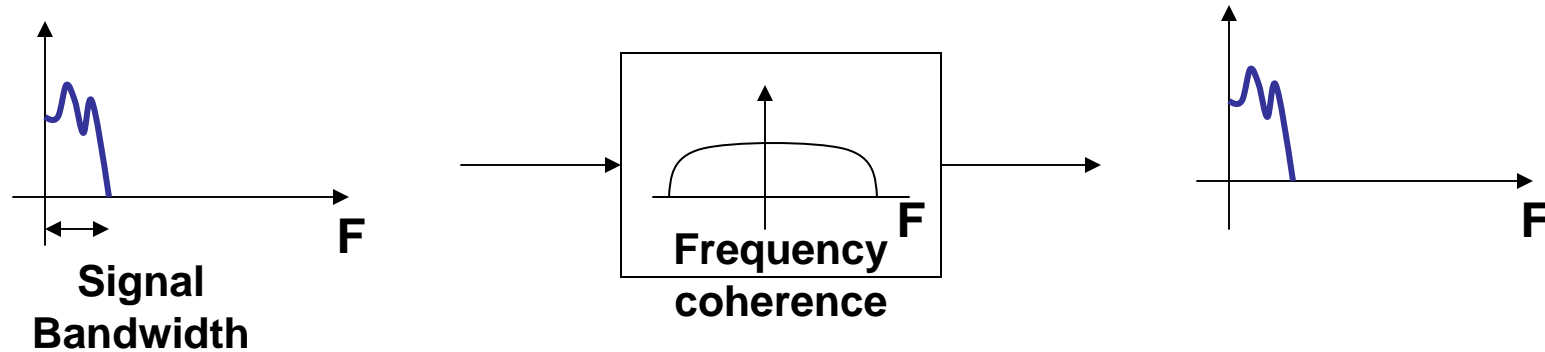
Recall that the Channel Spreads in Time (due to Multipath):



## 2. Flat Fading vs Frequency Selective Fading

- Based on Channel Time Spread:

$$B_c = \frac{1}{5 \times \tau_{RMS}}$$



**Flat Fading**

**Just attenuation, no distortion**

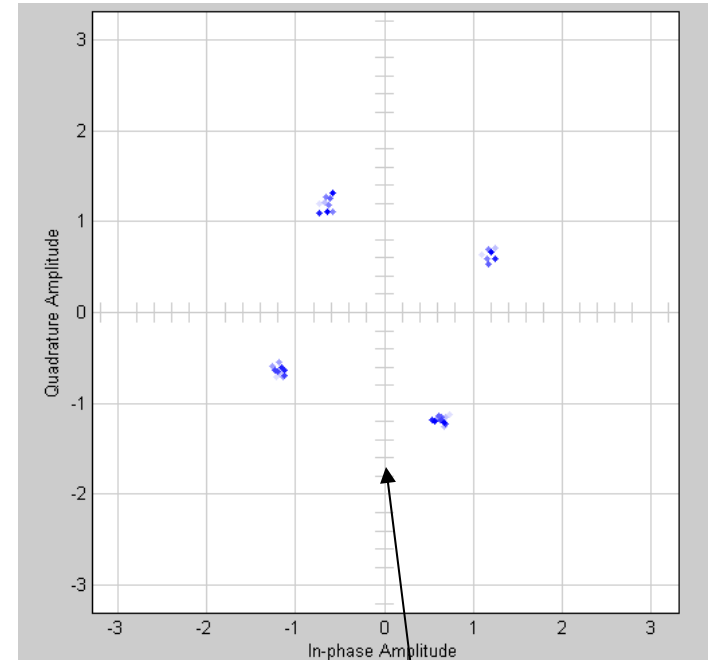
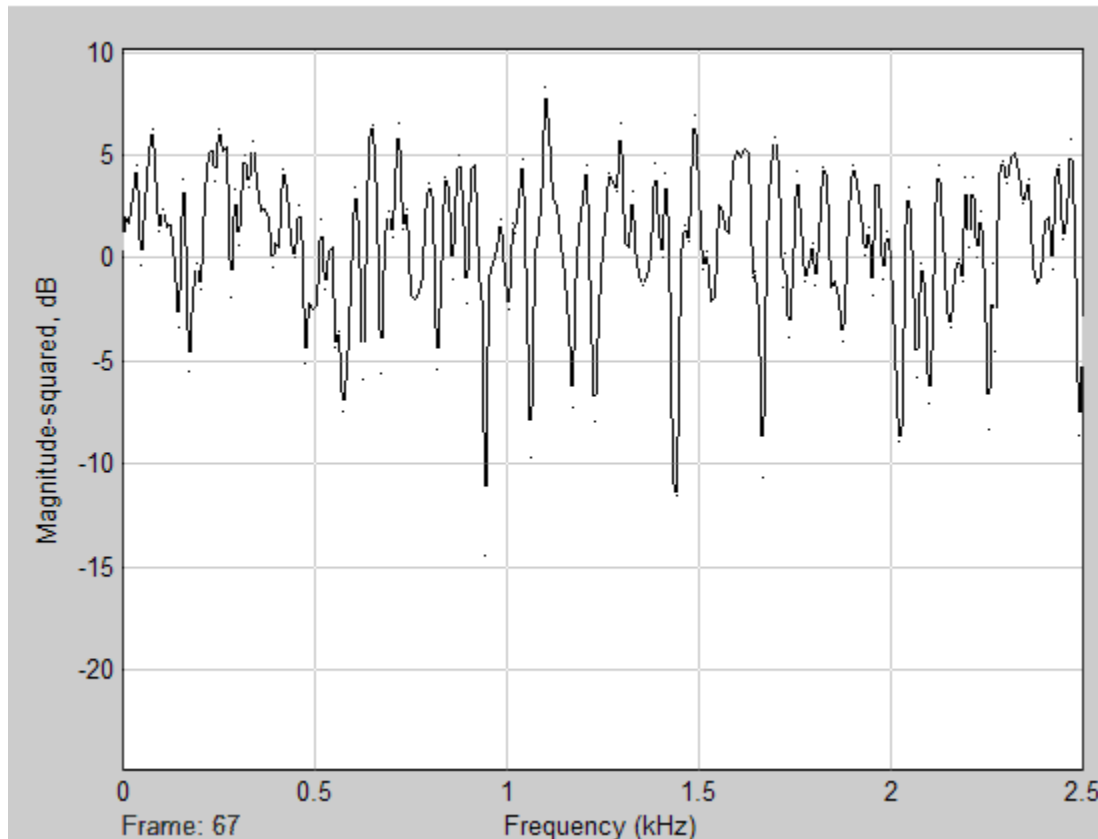
**Signal Bandwidth**  $\begin{matrix} < \\ > \end{matrix}$  **Frequency Coherence**

**Frequency Selective  
Fading**

**Distortion!!!**

## Example: Flat Fading

Channel :                      Delays  $T=[0 \ 10\text{e-}6 \ 15\text{e-}6]$  sec  
Power  $P=[0, -3, -8]$  dB  
Symbol Rate  **$F_s=10\text{kHz}$**   
Doppler  $F_d=0.1\text{Hz}$   
Modulation QPSK



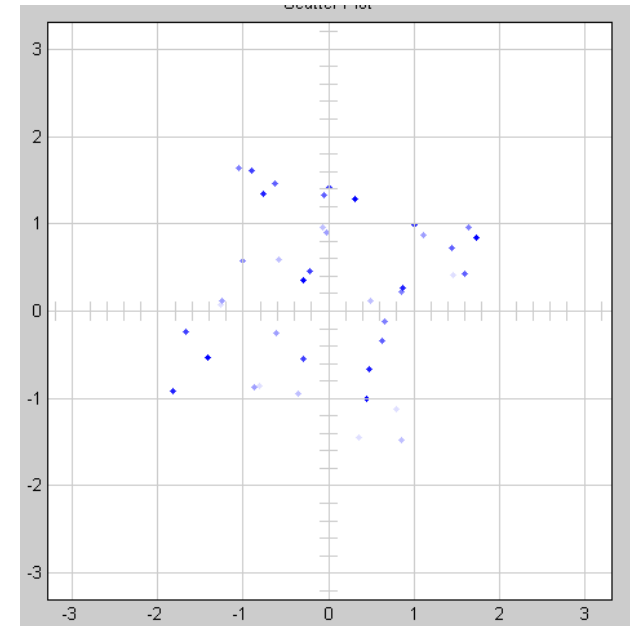
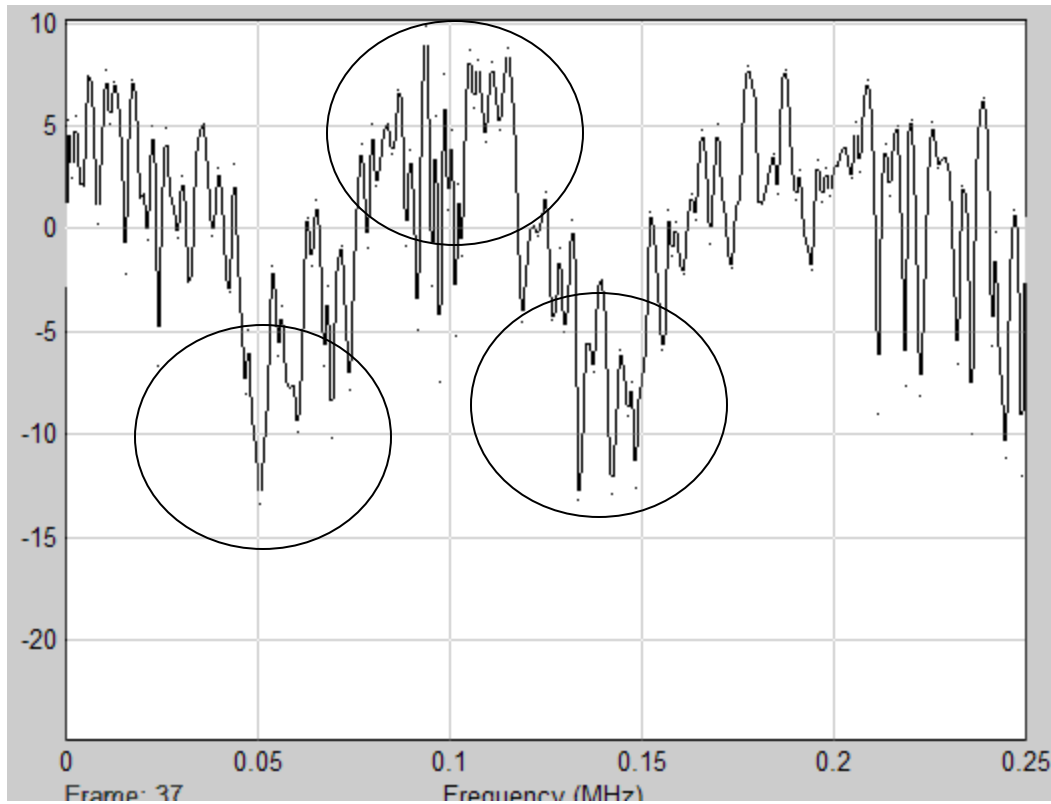
**Very low Inter Symbol Interference (ISI)**

**Spectrum: fairly uniform**



## Example: Frequency Selective Fading

Channel :                Delays  $T=[0 \ 10\text{e-}6 \ 15\text{e-}6]$  sec  
                              Power  $P=[0, -3, -8]$  dB  
                              Symbol Rate  **$F_s=1\text{MHz}$**   
                              Doppler  $F_d=0.1\text{Hz}$   
                              Modulation QPSK



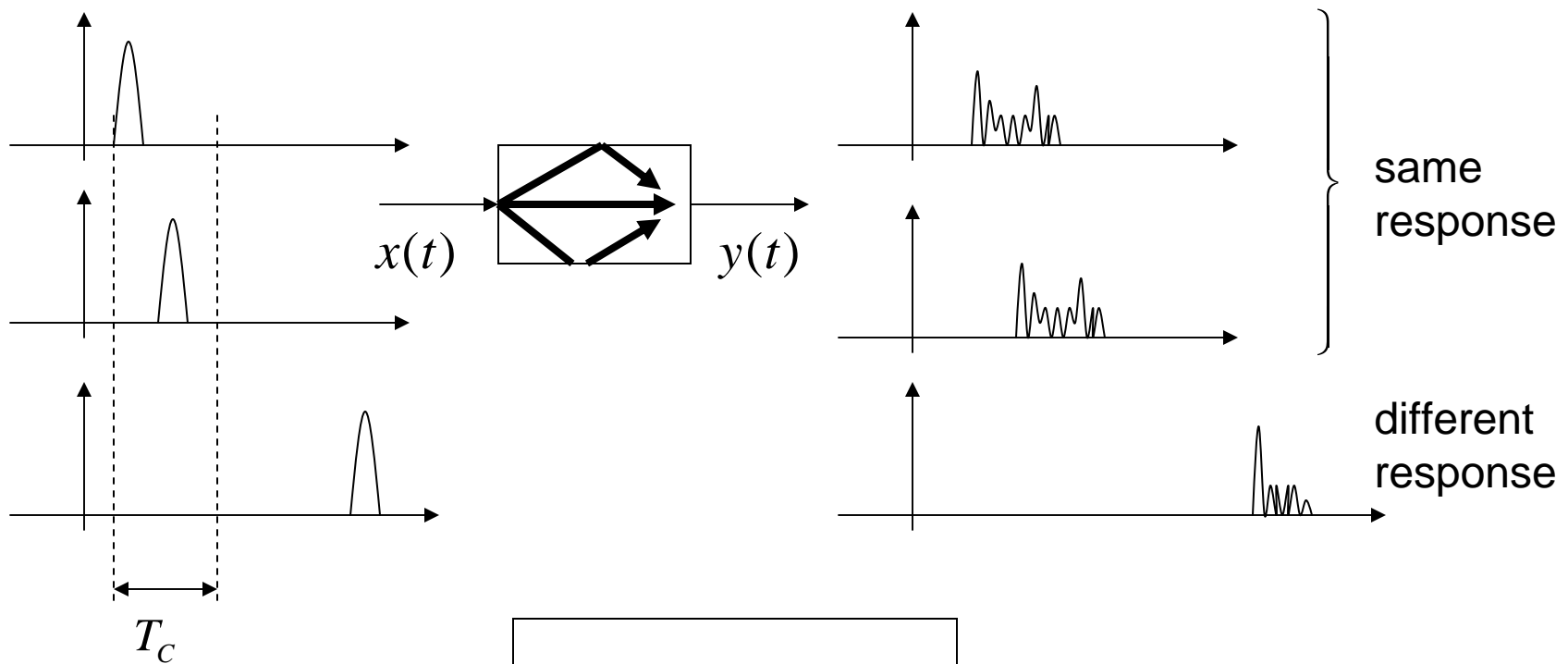
**Very high ISI**

**Spectrum with deep variations**

### 3. Doppler Frequency Spread and Time Coherence

$$y(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^M c_{\ell}(t)x(t - \tau_{\ell})$$

$$c_{\ell}(t) \cong c_{\ell}(t + \Delta t) \text{ if } |\Delta t| \leq T_C < 1 / F_D$$



**Coherence Time:**

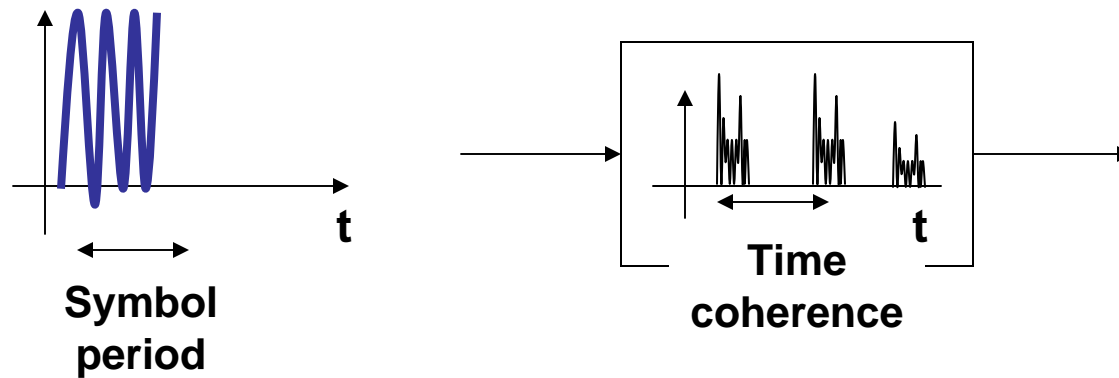
$$T_C \approx \frac{9}{16\pi F_D}$$

**Max Doppler**

## 4. Slow Fading vs Fast Fading

- Based on Doppler Spread Delay and Time Coherence:

$$T_c \approx \frac{9}{16\pi F_D}$$



**Slow Fading**

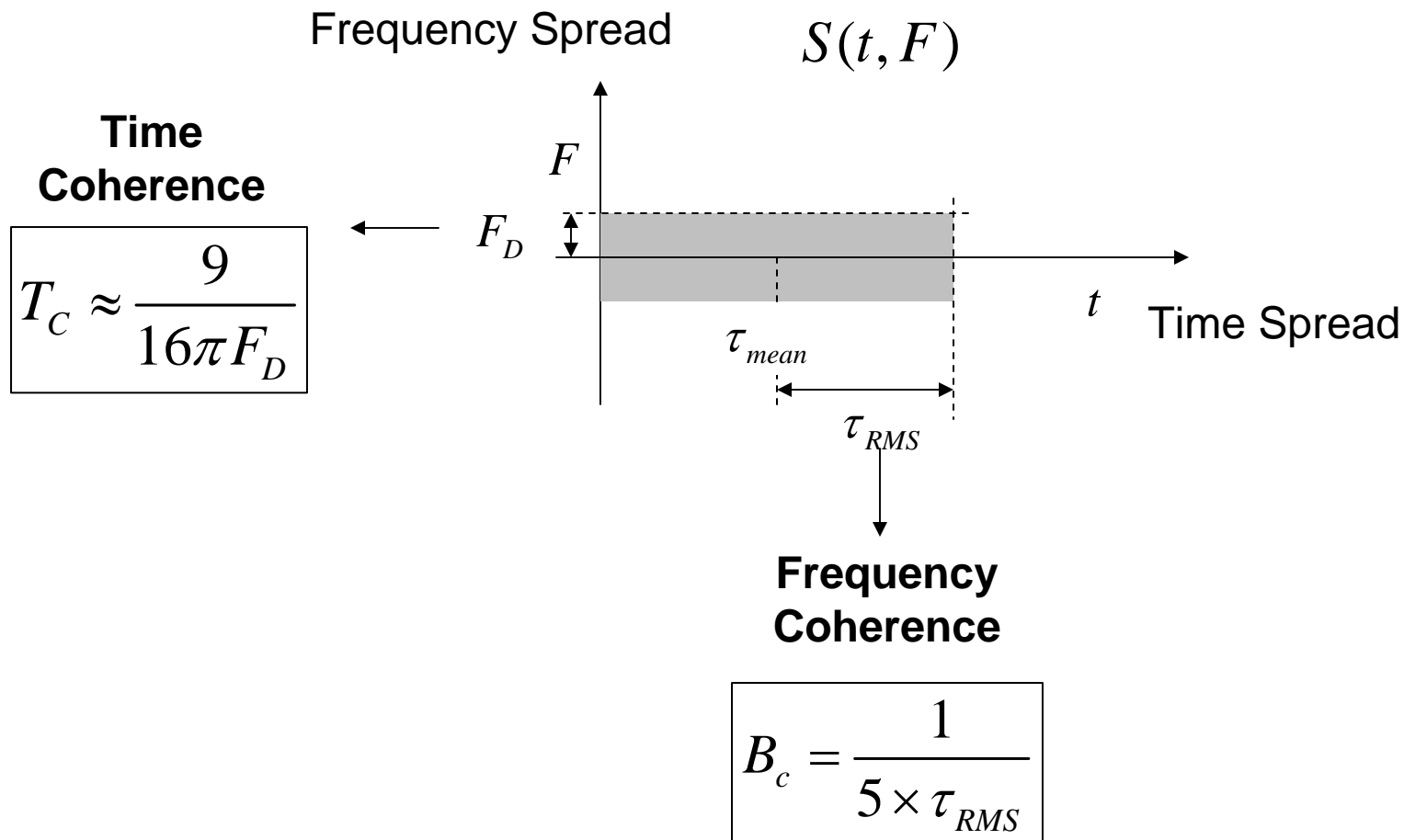
**Channel almost time invariant**

**Symbol period**  $\begin{matrix} < \\ > \end{matrix}$  **Time Coherence**

**Fast Fading**

**Channel quickly changing**

## Summary of Time/Frequency spread of the channel

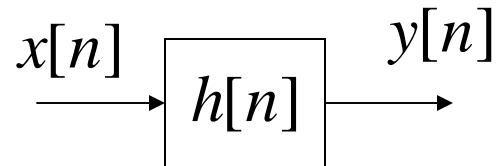


# **Channel Estimation from Data**

- 1. Recall Impulse Response Identification from Correlation**
- 2. Estimation of Time Spread and Doppler Shift**
- 3. Simulink/Matlab Example**
- 4. Stanford University Interim (SUI) Channel Models**

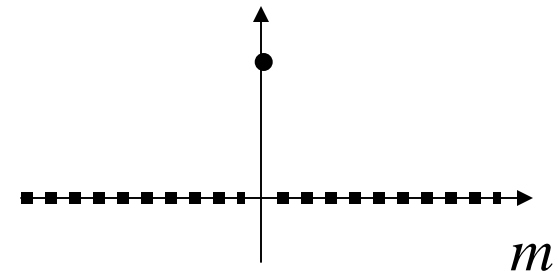
## Estimation of Channel Characteristics from Input - Output data.

### 1. For Linear Time Invariant (LTI) systems:


$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]x[n-k]$$

Excite the system with white noise and unit variance

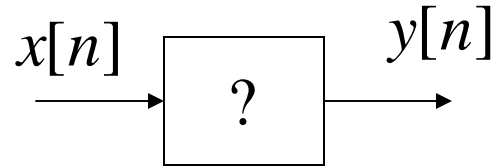
$$R_{xx}[m] = E\{x[n]x^*[n-m]\} = \delta[m]$$



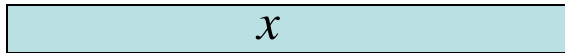
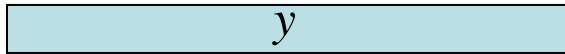
and compute the crosscorrelation between input and output

$$\begin{aligned} R_{yx}[m] &= E\{y[n]x^*[n-m]\} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]E\{x[n-k]x^*[n-m]\} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]\delta[m-k] = h[m] \end{aligned}$$

**In matlab:**



1. Get data (same length for simplicity):

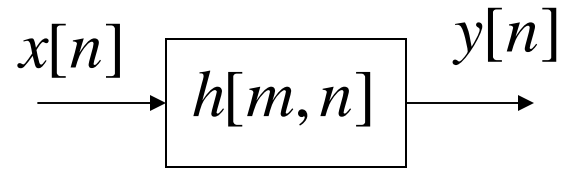


2. Compute crosscorrelation between input and output:

**`h=xcorr(x,y);`**

If **`x[n]`** is white noise, **`h[n]`** is the impulse response.

## 2. For a Linear Time Varying Channel:



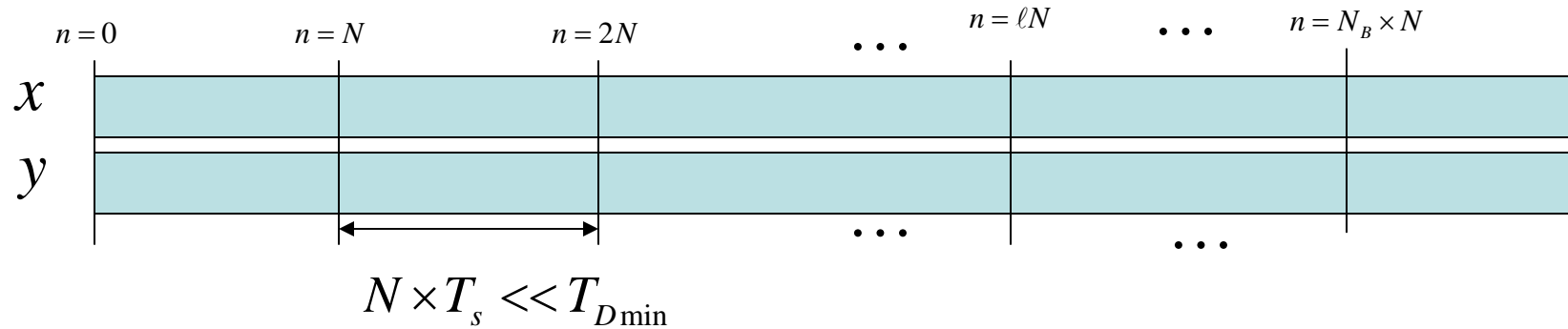
$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k, n]x[n - k]$$

Known:

1. Sampling frequency  $F_s$
2. Upper bound on max Doppler Frequency  $F_{D\max}$

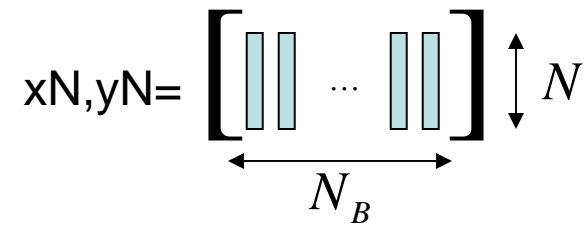


1. Collect Data and partition in blocks of length  $N \ll \frac{F_s}{F_{D\max}}$  :



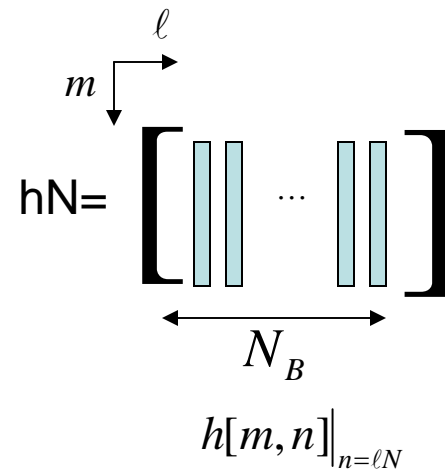
$xN = \text{reshape}(x, N, \text{length}(x)/N);$

$yN = \text{reshape}(y, N, \text{length}(y)/N);$

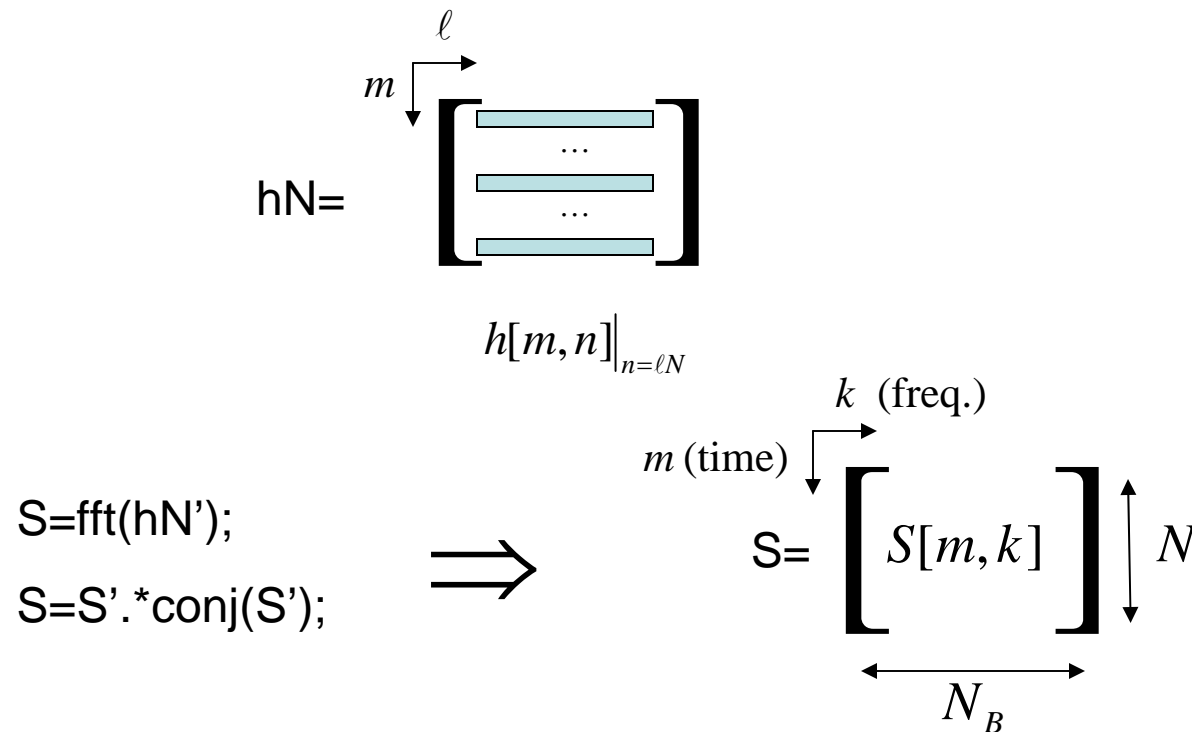


2. Estimate impulse response in each block

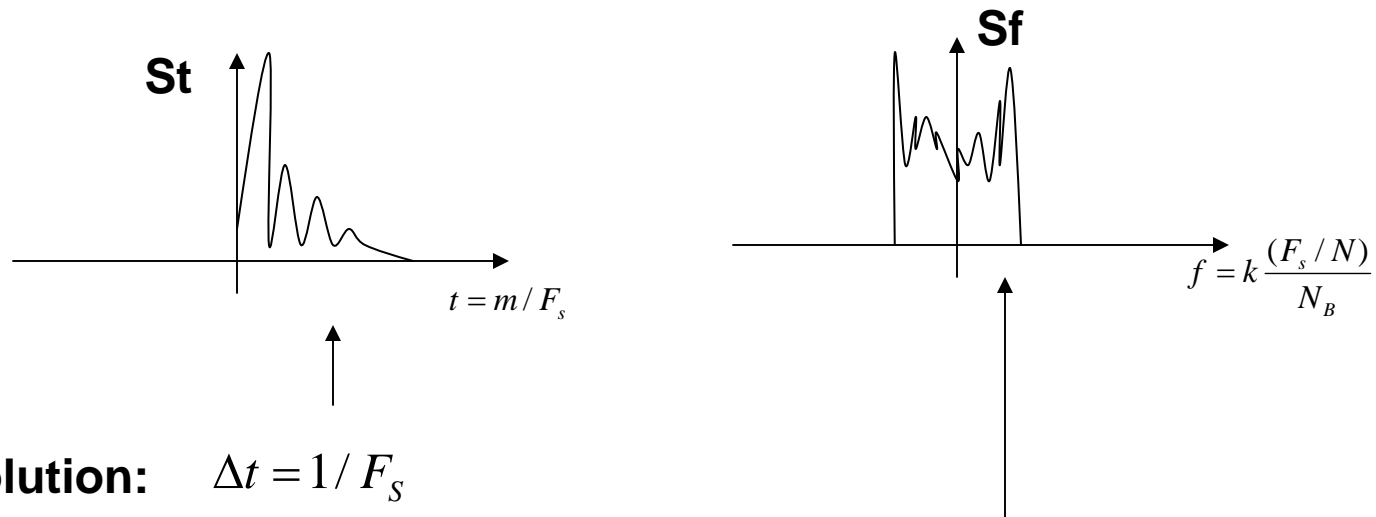
$hN = \text{xcorr}(xN, yN);$



**3. Compute Power Spectrum on each row, to determine time variability of the channel (If the channel is Time Invariant all columns of  $hN$  are the same):**



4. Take the sum over rows for Doppler Spread and sum over columns for Time Spread (fftshift each vector to have “zero” term (sec or Hz) in the middle)



**Time Resolution:**  $\Delta t = 1 / F_s$

**Frequency Resolution:** 
$$\Delta F = \frac{F_s}{N \times N_B} = \frac{1}{\text{total data length(sec)}} \text{ Hz}$$

Therefore if we want to a resolution in the doppler spread of (say) 1Hz, we need to collect at least 1 sec of data.

**Example:**

**% channel**

**Fs=10<sup>6</sup>;**

**P=[0,-2,-3];**

**T=[0, 10, 15]\*10<sup>-6</sup>;**

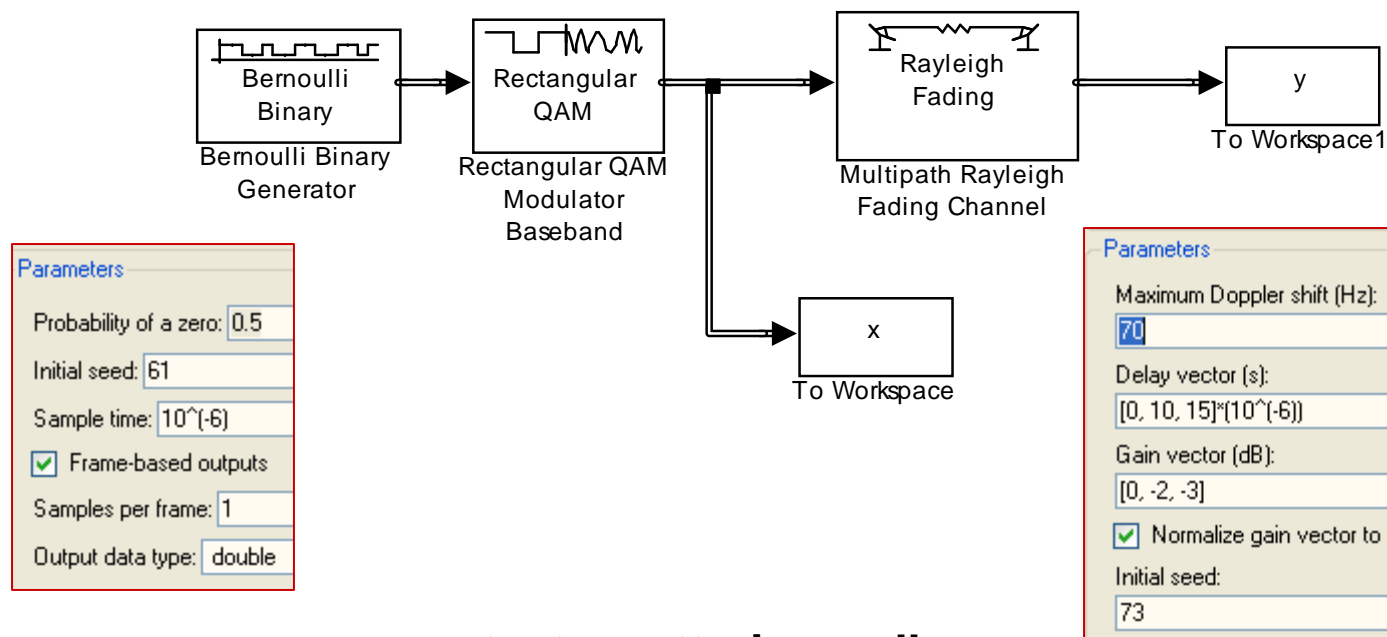
**fd=70;**

**% sampling freq. In Hz**

**% attenuations in dB**

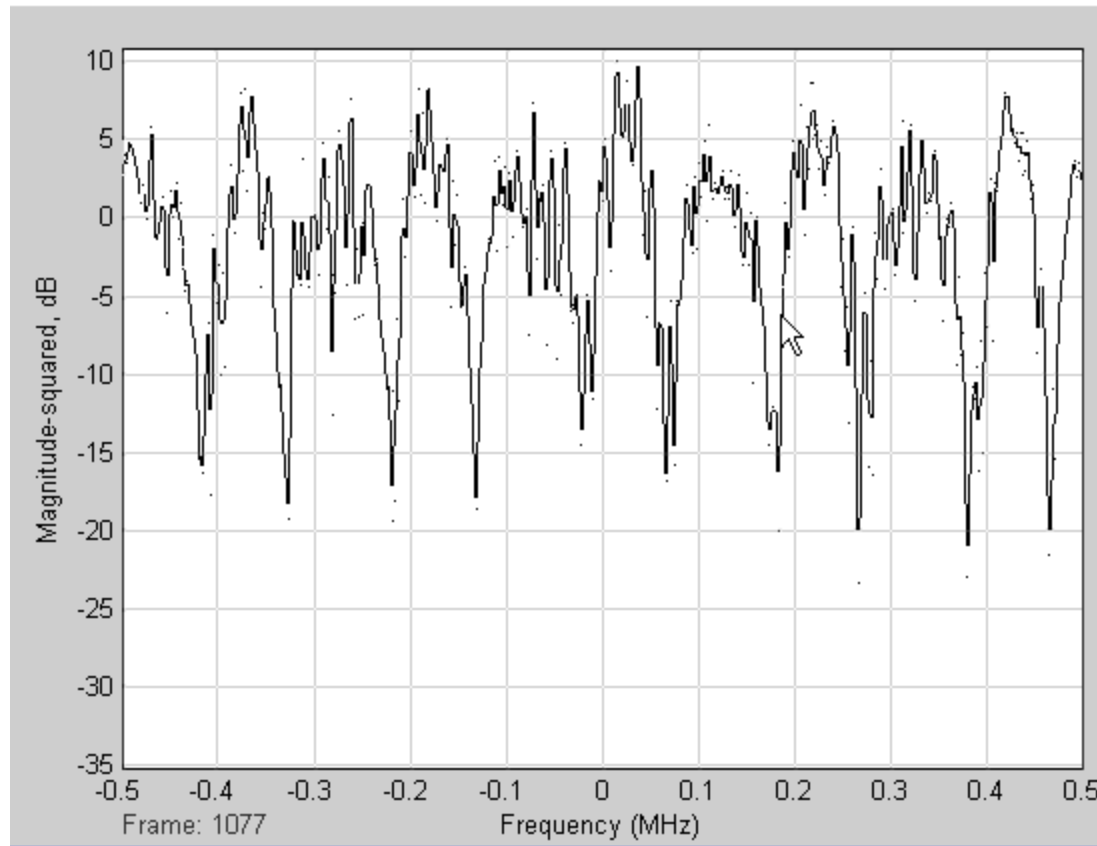
**% time delays in sec**

**%doppler shift in Hz**



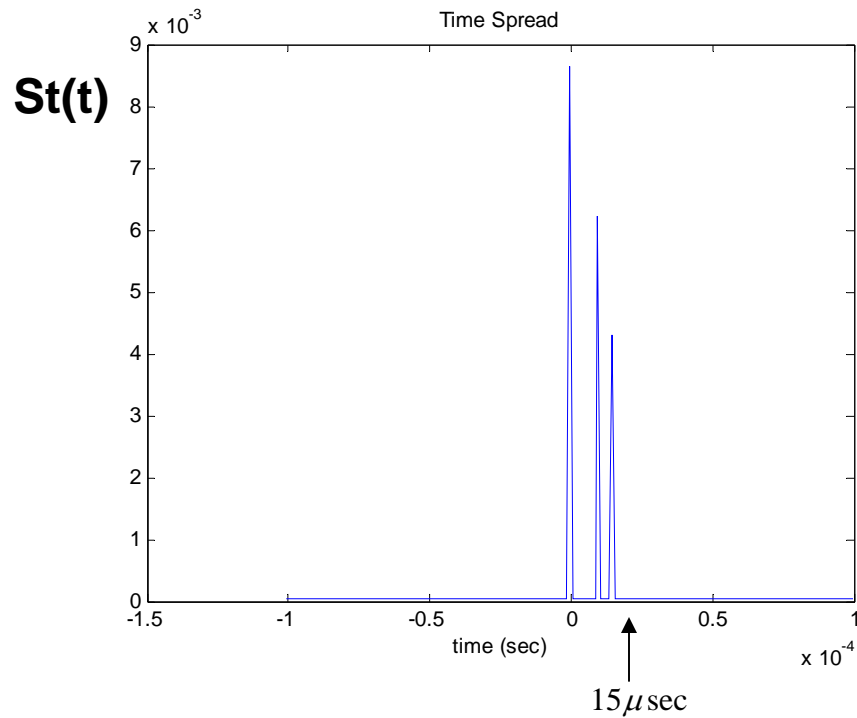
**test\_scattering.mdl**

## Channel Freq. Response:



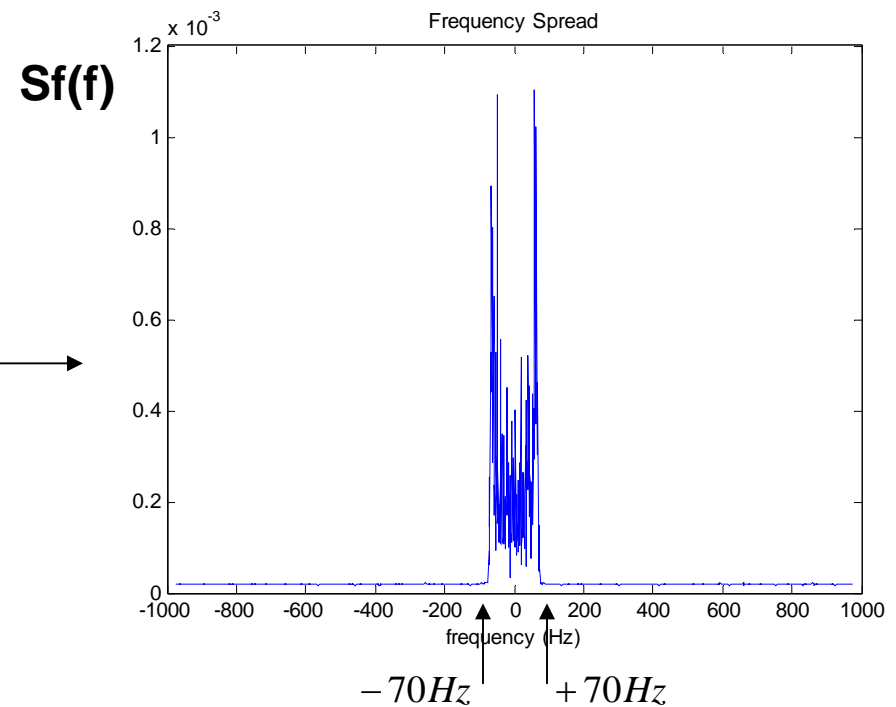
$T_{\max}=10^{-4}$  sec;       $[St, Sf, t, f]=\text{scattering}(x, y, F_s, T_{\max}, F_{D\max});$

$F_{D\max}=150\text{Hz};$



← **Time Spread**

**Frequency Spread**



## **Stanford University Interim (SUI) Channel Models**

### **Extension of Work done at AT&T Wireless and Erceg et al.**

Three terrain types:

- Category A: Hilly/Moderate to Heavy Tree density;
- Category B: Hilly/ Light Tree density or Flat/Moderate to Heavy Tree density
- Category C: Flat/Light Tree density

### **Six different Scenarios (SUI-1 – SUI-6).**

Found in

**IEEE 802.16.3c-01/29r4, “Channel Models for Wireless Applications,”**  
**[http://wirelessman.org/tg3/contrib/802163c-01\\_29r4.pdf](http://wirelessman.org/tg3/contrib/802163c-01_29r4.pdf)**

**V. Erceg et al, “An Empirical Based Path Loss Model for Wireless Channels in Suburban Environments,” IEEE Selected Areas in Communications, Vol 17, no 7, July 1999**

## Lab 3

In this project you want to identify the time and frequency spreads of a channel. Refer to the simulink model **Lab3.mdl** for the setup.

You know that the mobile channel you are trying to model has a maximum doppler frequency not exceeding 50Hz and a maximum time spread smaller than 20 microseconds. In order to have a clear picture of the channel spread in time and frequency we want a time resolution of 1 microsecond and a frequency resolution of 1Hz;

1. Based on the time and frequency resolutions, determine a suitable symbol rate of the transmitted sequence and an adequate data length in time;
2. With the above parameters, run the model **Lab3.mdl** to collect the transmitted and received data. Use the program **scattering.m** to estimate the time and frequency spreads of the channel. Compare the result with the parameters of the channel in the simulink block;
3. Just to compare, try different values of symbol rate and data length and see how the resolutions in time and frequency are affected.



## 4. Multi Carrier Modulation and OFDM

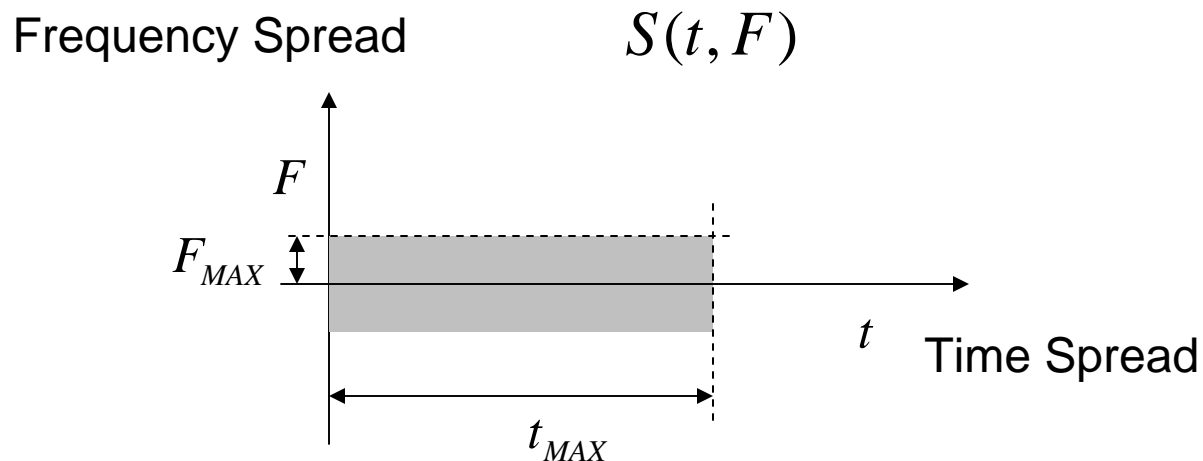
1. Single Carrier and Multi Carrier Modulation
2. Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM)
3. Example: basics of IEEE 802.11a (WiFi)

## Single Carrier and Multi Carrier Modulation

1. Transmission of Data through Frequency Selective and Time Varying Channels
2. Single Carrier Modulation in Flat Fading Channels
3. Single Carrier Modulation in Frequency Selective Channels
4. Simulink Example of Single Carrier Modulation
5. The Multi Carrier Approach

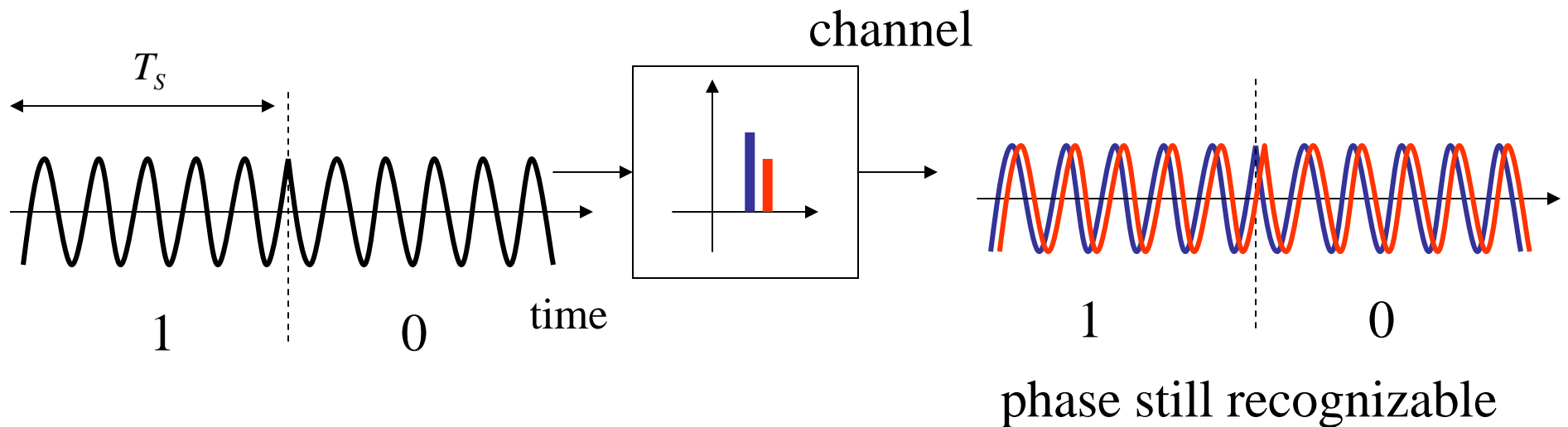
# 1. Transmission of Data Through Frequency Selective Time Varying Channels

We have seen a wireless channel is characterized by *time spread* and *frequency spread*.



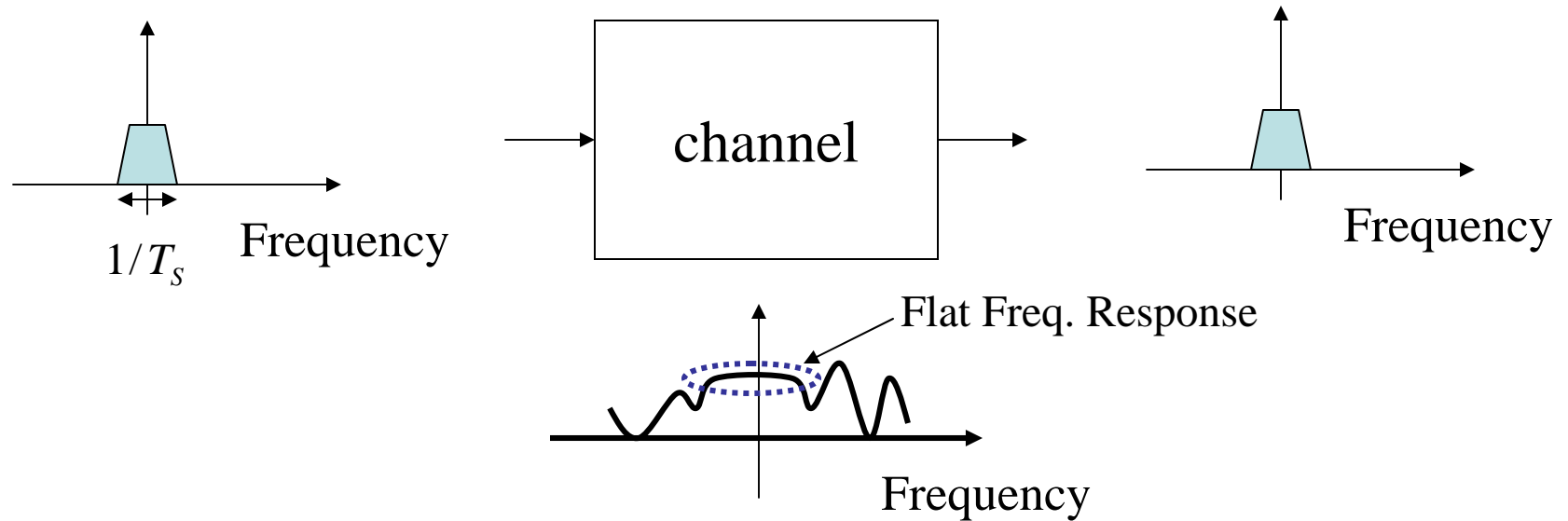
## 2. Single Carrier Modulation in Flat Fading Channels:

- if *symbol duration*  $\gg$  *time spread* then there is almost no Inter Symbol Interference (ISI).



Problem with this: *Low Data Rate!!!*

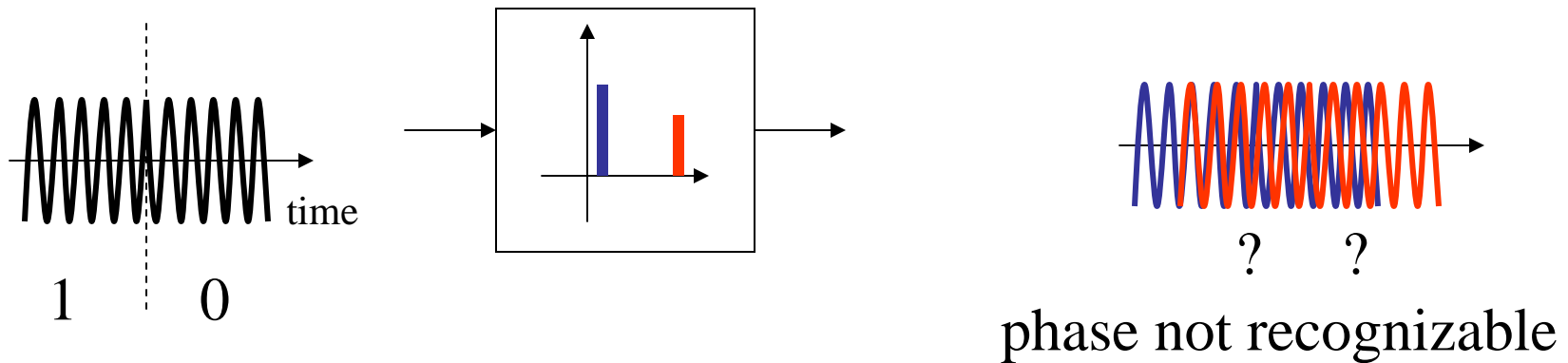
- this corresponds to **Flat Fading**



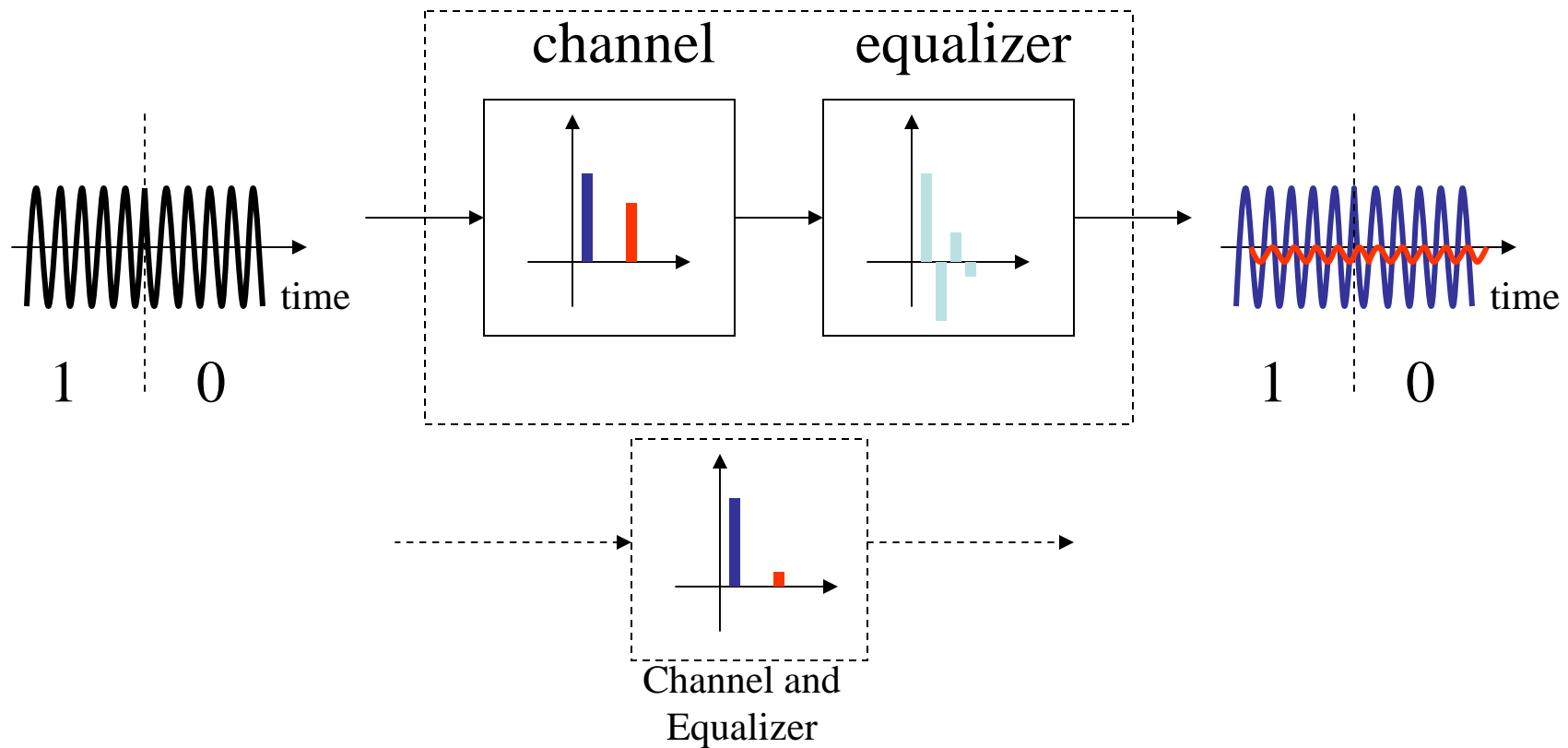
### 3. Single Carrier Modulation in Frequency Selective Channels:

- if *symbol duration*  $\sim$  *time spread* then there is considerable Inter Symbol Interference (ISI).

channel



One Solution: *we need equalization*

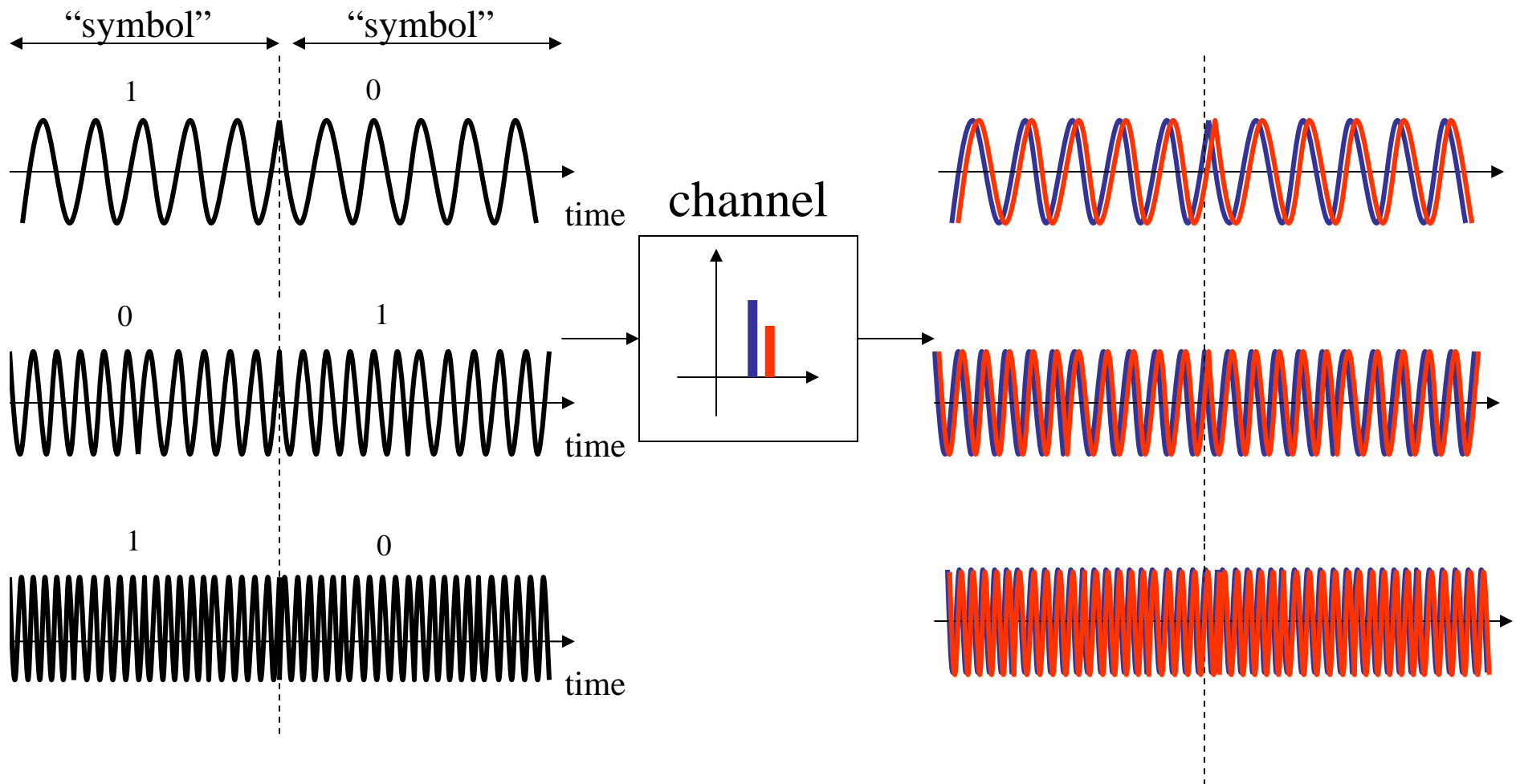


Problems with equalization:

- it might require training data (thus loss of bandwidth)
- if blind, it can be expensive in terms computational effort
- always a problem when the channel is time varying

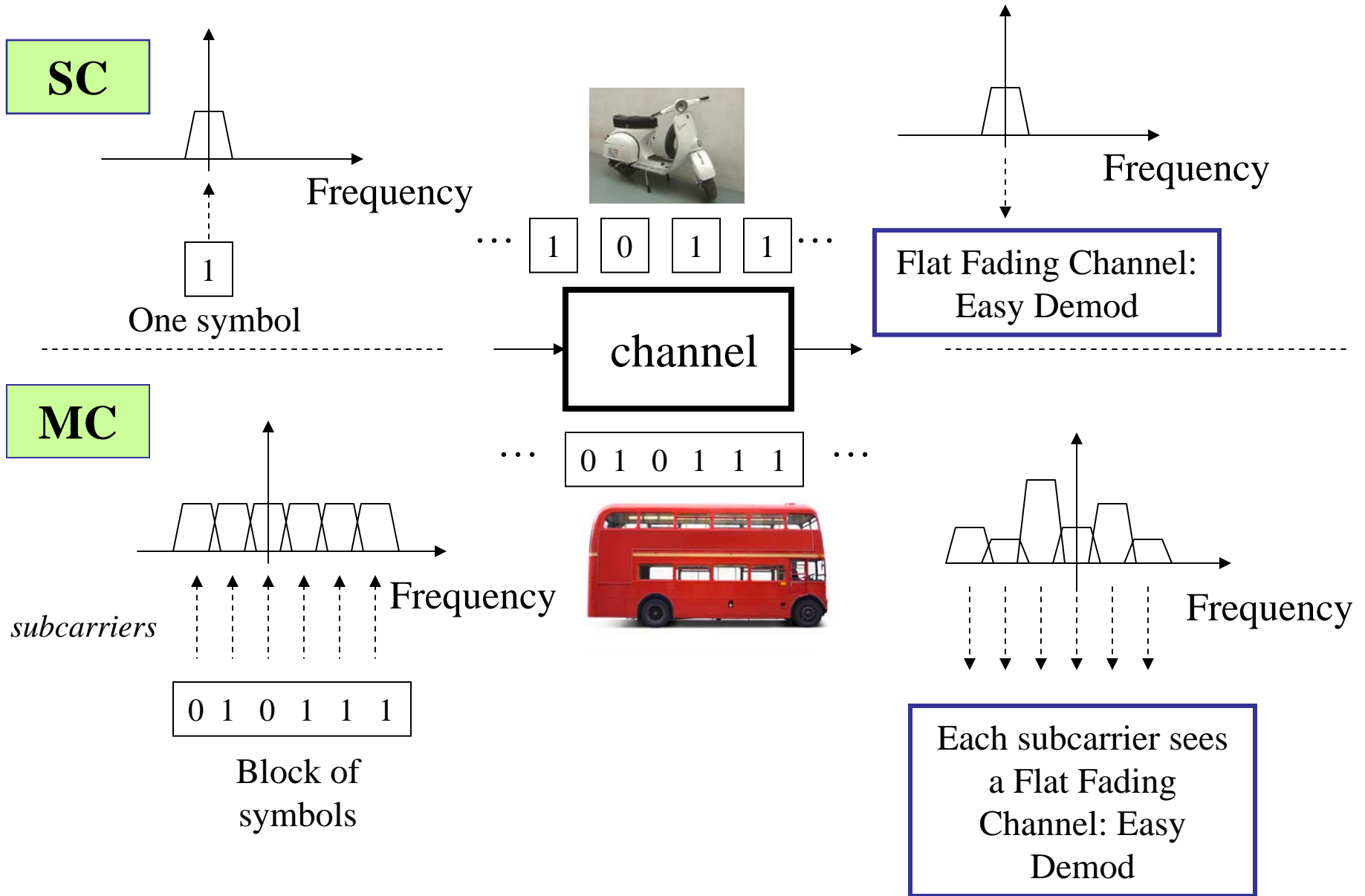
## 4. The Multi Carrier Approach:

- let *symbol duration*  $\gg$  *time spread* so there is almost no Inter Symbol Interference (ISI);
- send a **block of data** using a number of carriers (Multi Carrier)





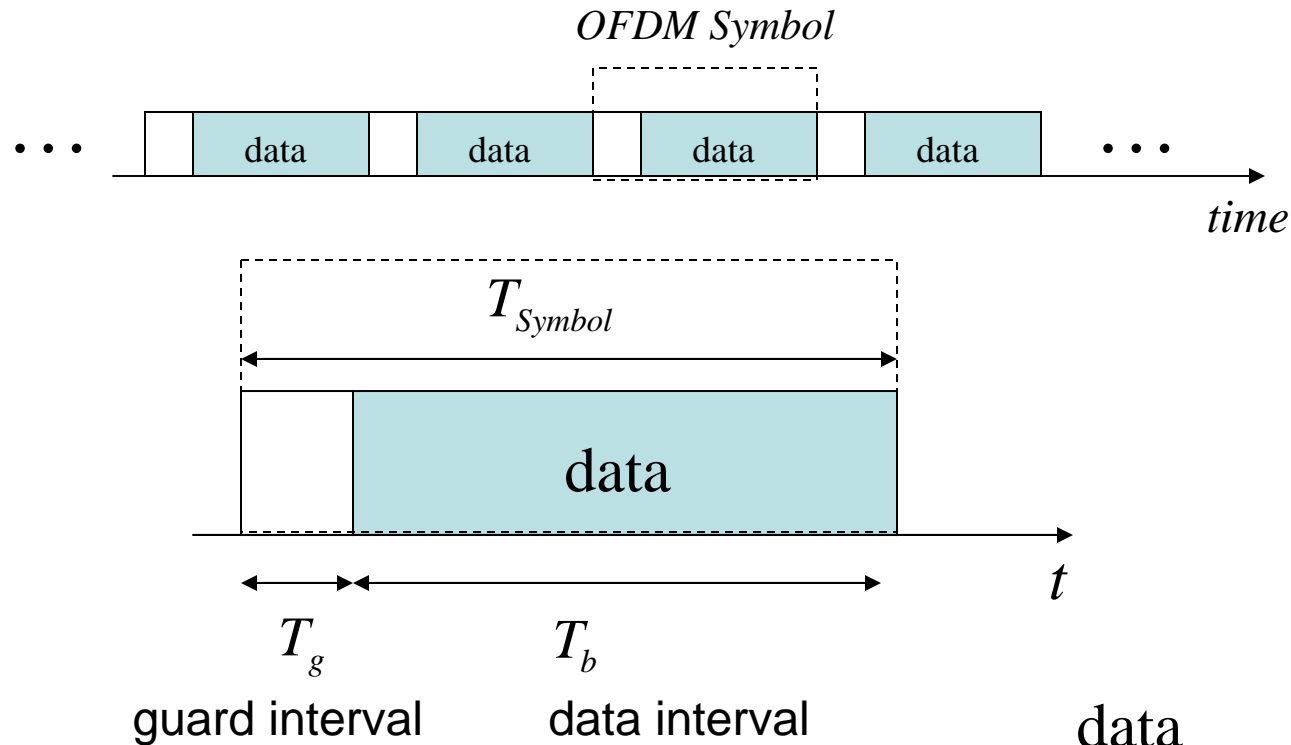
# Compare Single Carrier and Multi Carrier Modulation



# Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM)

1. Basic Structure of Multi Carrier Modulation
2. “Orthogonal” Subcarriers and OFDM
3. Generating the OFDM Symbol using the IFFT

In MC modulation each “MC symbol” is defined on a time interval and it contains a block of data



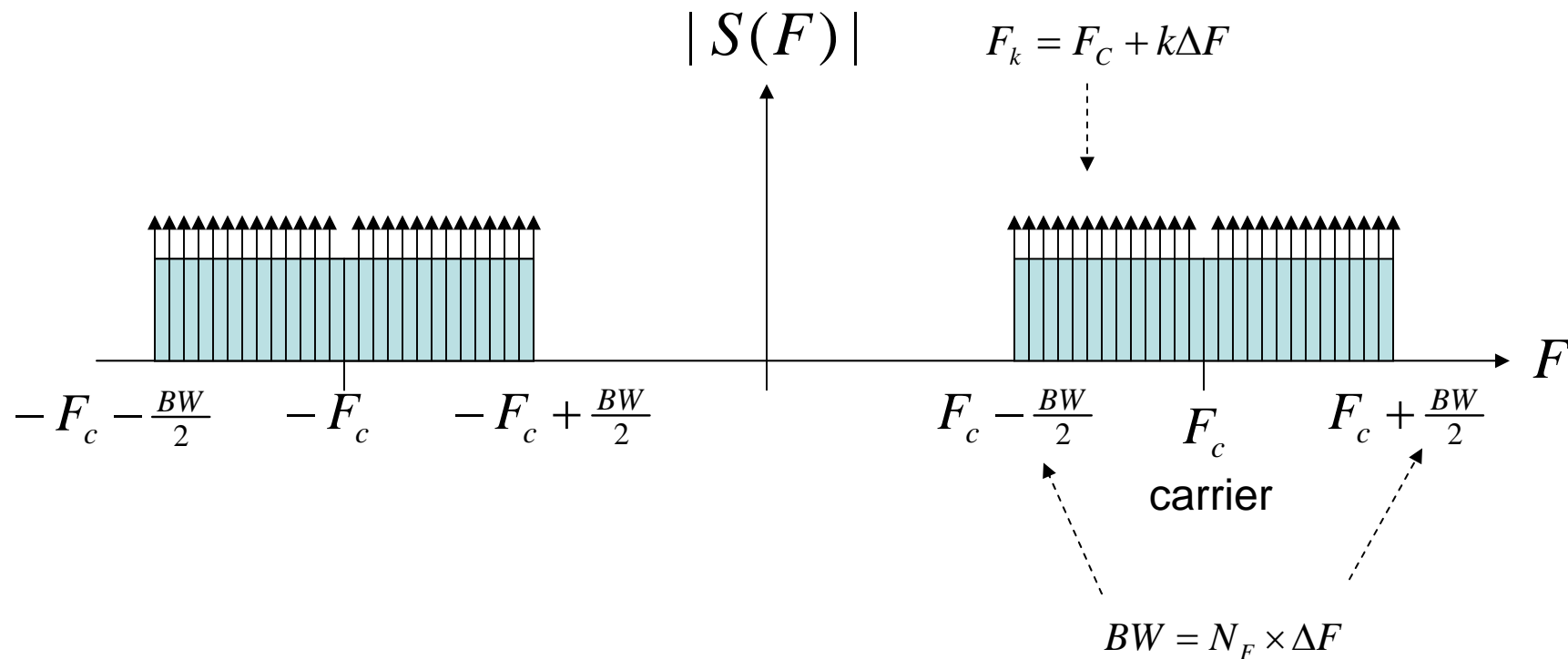
$$s(t) = \text{Re} \left\{ A \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{j2\pi(F_C + k\Delta F)t} \right\} = \text{Re} \left\{ e^{j2\pi F_C t} A \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} \overset{\text{data}}{c_k} e^{j2\pi k\Delta F t} \right\}$$

$$0 \leq t \leq T_{Symbol}$$

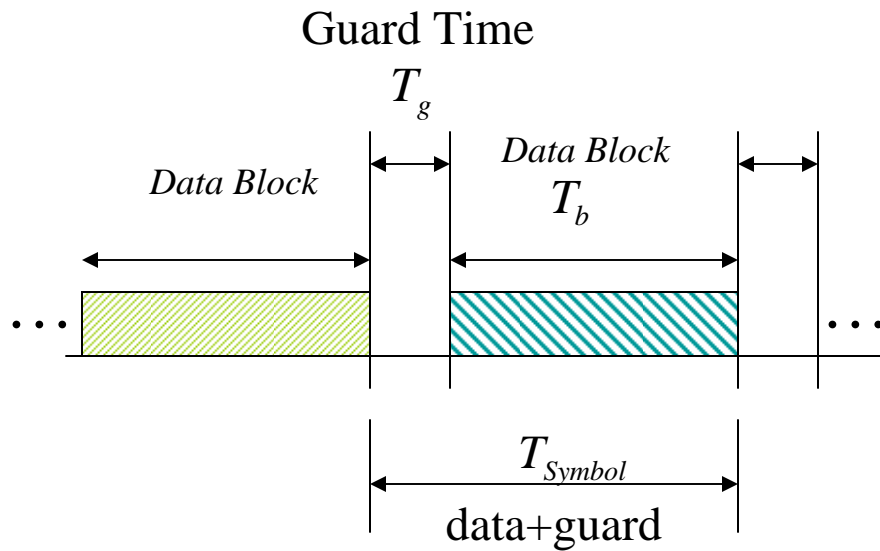
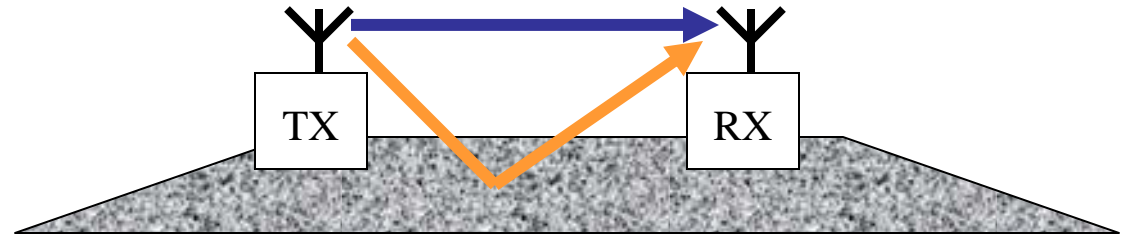
- Each data point  $c_k$  is modulated by a subcarrier

$$F_k = F_C + k\Delta F, \quad k = -\frac{N_F}{2}, \dots, \frac{N_F}{2}, \quad k \neq 0$$

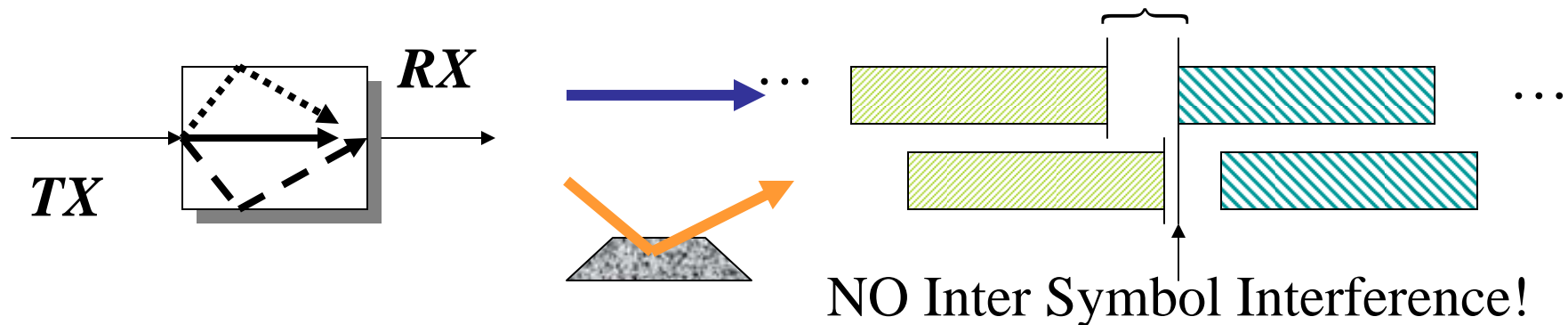
- Subcarrier  $k = 0$  is not used since its magnitude and phase would be influenced by the carrier  $F_C$



We leave a “guard time”  
between blocks to allow  
multipath

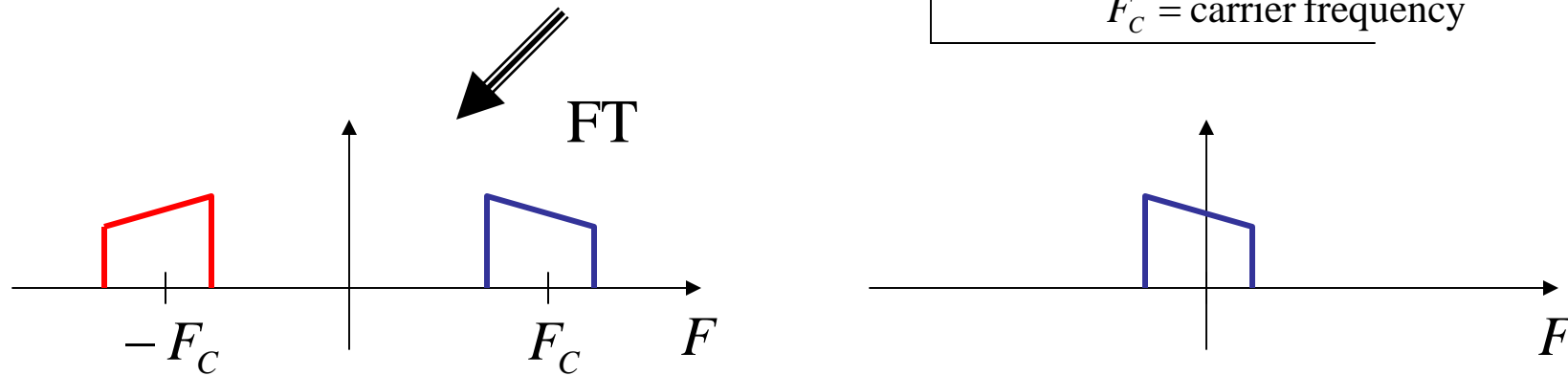


*the “guard time” is long  
enough, so the multipath in  
one block does not affect the  
next block*



Modulated Signal:  $s(t) = \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi F_c t} x(t)\}$

$F_c = \text{carrier frequency}$



Baseband Complex Signal:

FT

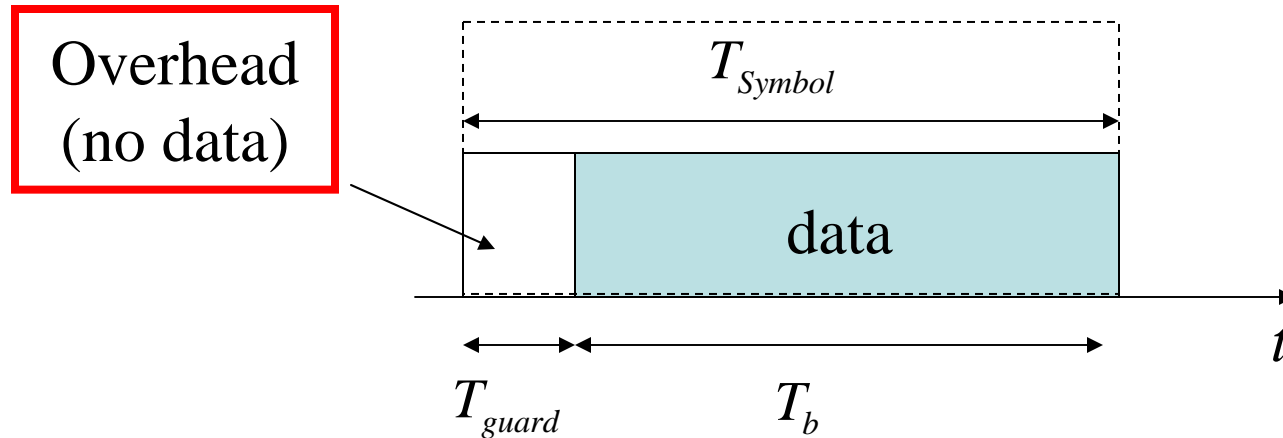
$$x(t) = A \sum_{\substack{k=-\frac{N_F}{2} \\ k \neq 0}}^{k=\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{j2\pi k \Delta F (t - T_g)} \quad 0 \leq t \leq T_{\text{Symbol}}$$

$k \Delta F = \text{subcarrier frequency offset}$

$c_k = \text{data}$

*just a gain*

## Limitations of OFDM



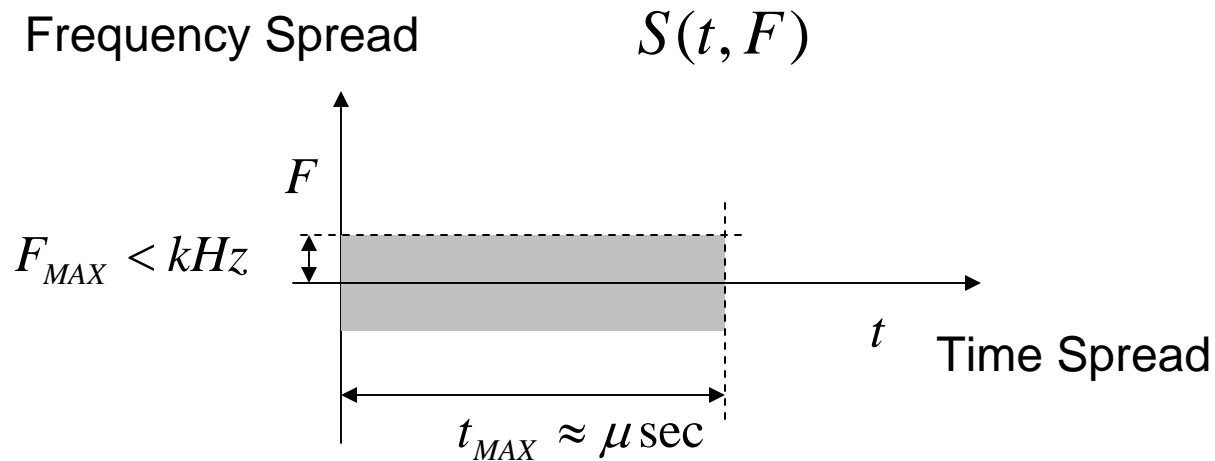
- The Guard Time (or Cyclic Prefix) does not carry data and therefore it represents a loss of power

$$P_{data} = \frac{T_b}{T_b + T_{guard}} P_{symbol} = \frac{1}{1 + \left( \frac{T_{guard}}{T_b} \right)} P_{symbol}$$

- To minimize overhead  $T_{guard} \ll T_b$

ie the longer the data frame the better!

However, as expected, the channel (not the sky!) is the limit.



OFDM Symbol Duration:  $T_b \gg t_{MAX}$  to minimize CP overhead

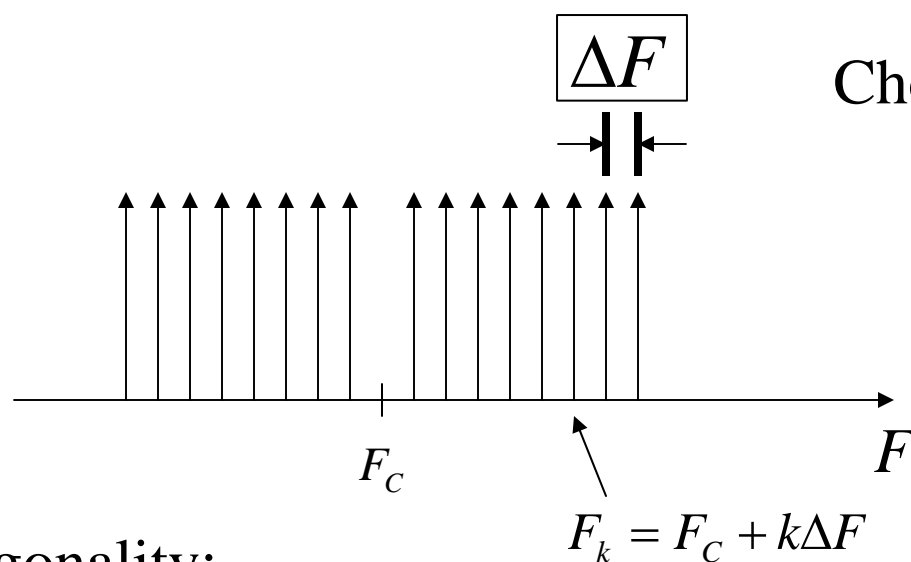
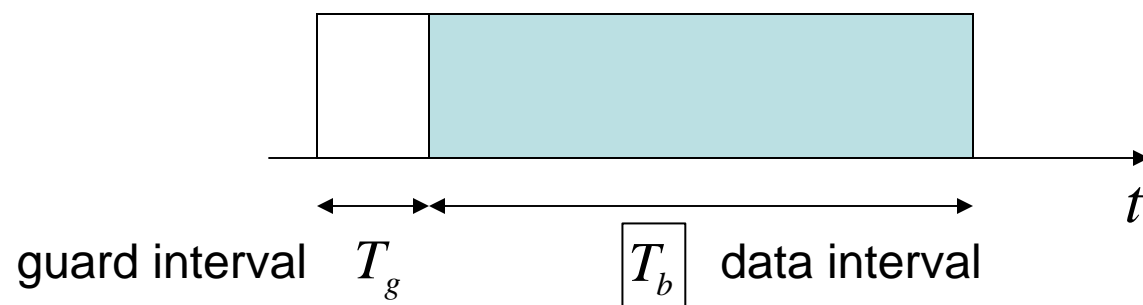
OFDM Freq. Spacing:  $\Delta F = \frac{F_s}{N} \gg F_{MAX}$  to ensure orthogonality

Are these two compatible?

Since  $\frac{F_s}{N} = \frac{1}{NT_s} = \frac{1}{T_b}$  we have:  $t_{MAX} \ll T_b \ll 1/F_{MAX}$   
 $\boxed{10^{-6} \text{ sec}} \quad \boxed{10^{-3} \text{ sec}} \text{ roughly!!!}$



## 2. “Orthogonal” Subcarriers and OFDM



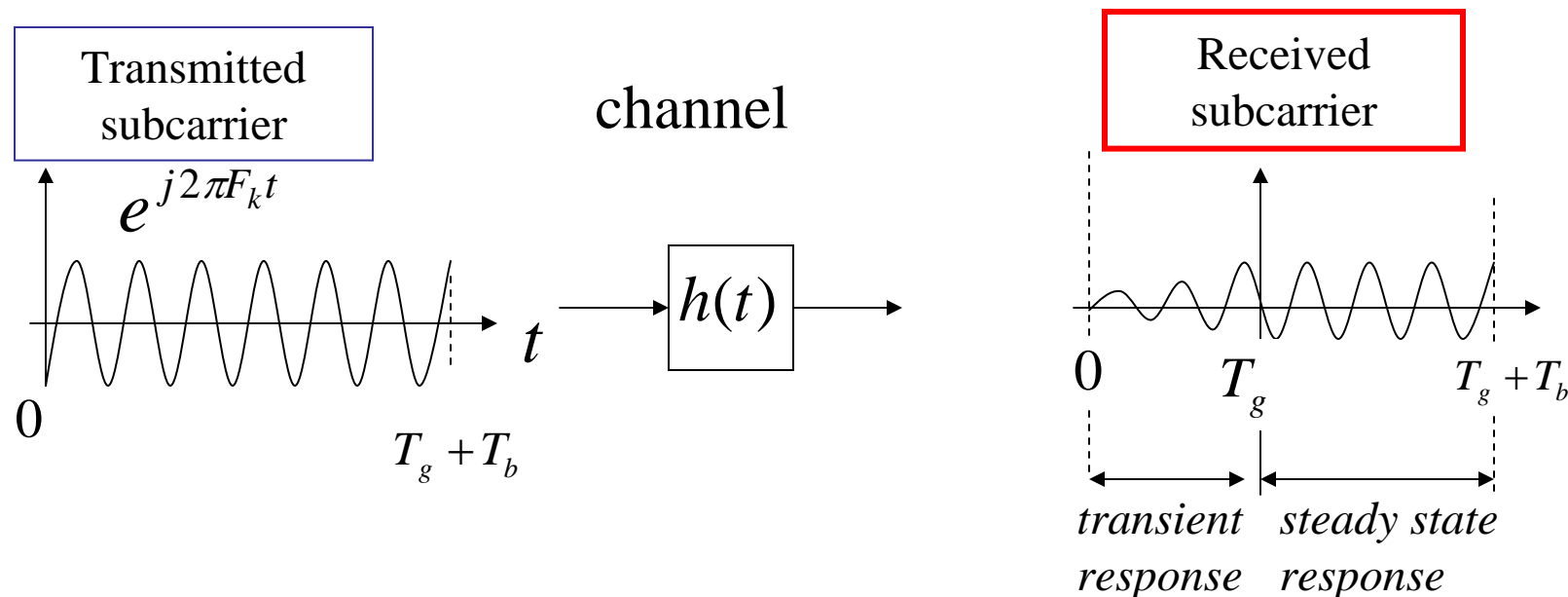
Choose:

$$\Delta F = \frac{1}{T_b}$$

Orthogonality:

$$\frac{1}{T_b} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_b} e^{j2\pi F_k t} e^{-j2\pi F_\ell t} dt = \frac{1}{T_b} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_b} e^{j2\pi(k-\ell)\Delta F t} dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq \ell \end{cases}$$

Since the channel is Linear and Time Invariant (at least for the duration of the frame), the exponentials  $e^{j2\pi F_k t}$  are still orthogonal at the receiver in steady state, ie after the transient has died.



$$H(F_k)e^{j2\pi F_k t}$$

$$T_g \leq t \leq T_g + T_b$$

still orthogonal at the receiver!!!

Each OFDM symbol is generated in discrete time.

Let

- $F_s$  be the sampling frequency;
- $N > N_F$  be the number of data samples in each symbol;
- $\Delta F = 1/(N T_s) = F_s / N$  the subcarriers spacing
- $A = 1/N$

Then:

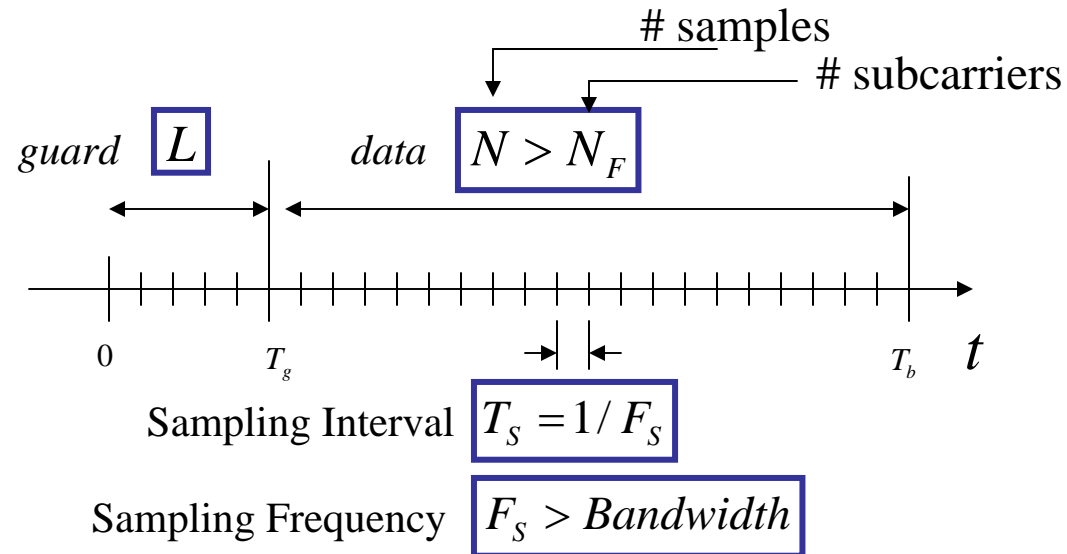
$$x(nT_s) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{j2\pi k \frac{\Delta F}{F_s}(n-L)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N}(n-L)} \quad n = 0, \dots, L + N - 1$$

With  $T_g = L \times T_s$  the guard time.

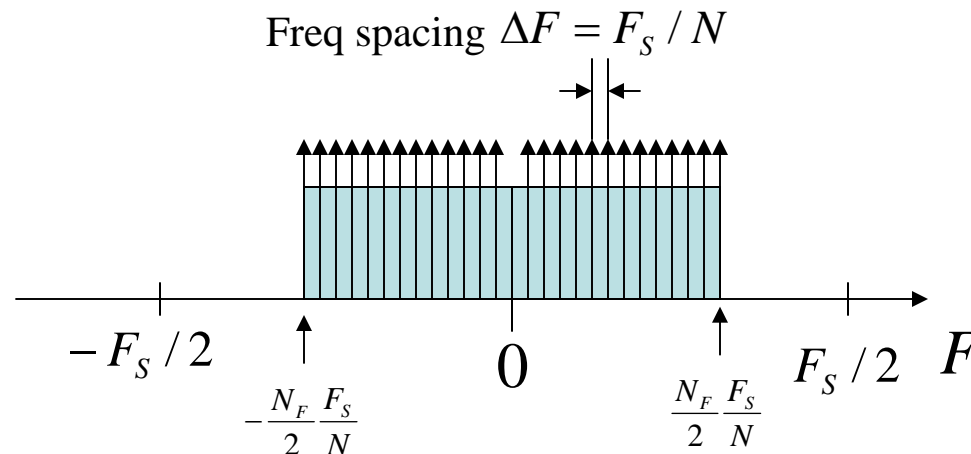
## 4. Generating the OFDM symbol using the IFFT

OFDM Symbol: discrete time

TIME:



FREQUENCY:



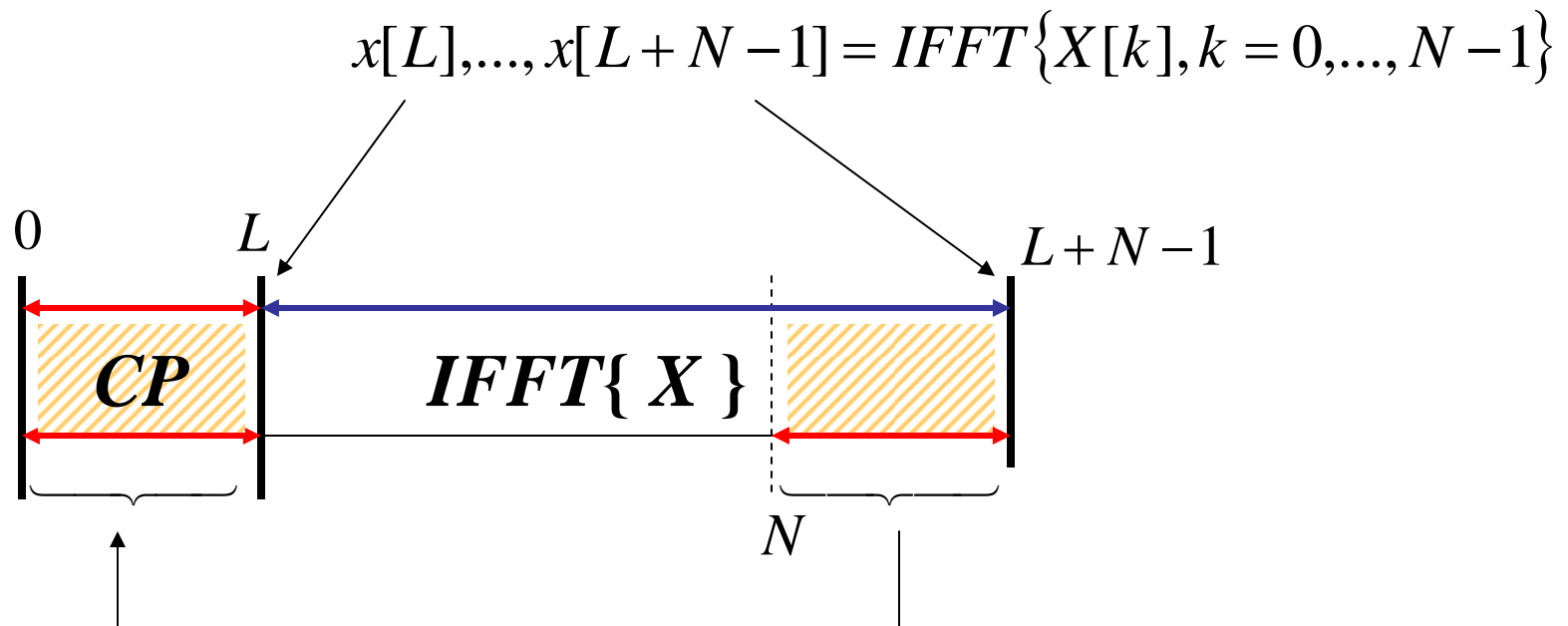
This can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 x[n+L] &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{N_F}{2}} c_k e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=-\frac{N_F}{2}}^{-1} c_k e^{j(N+k) \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} = \text{IFFT}\{X[k]\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where:

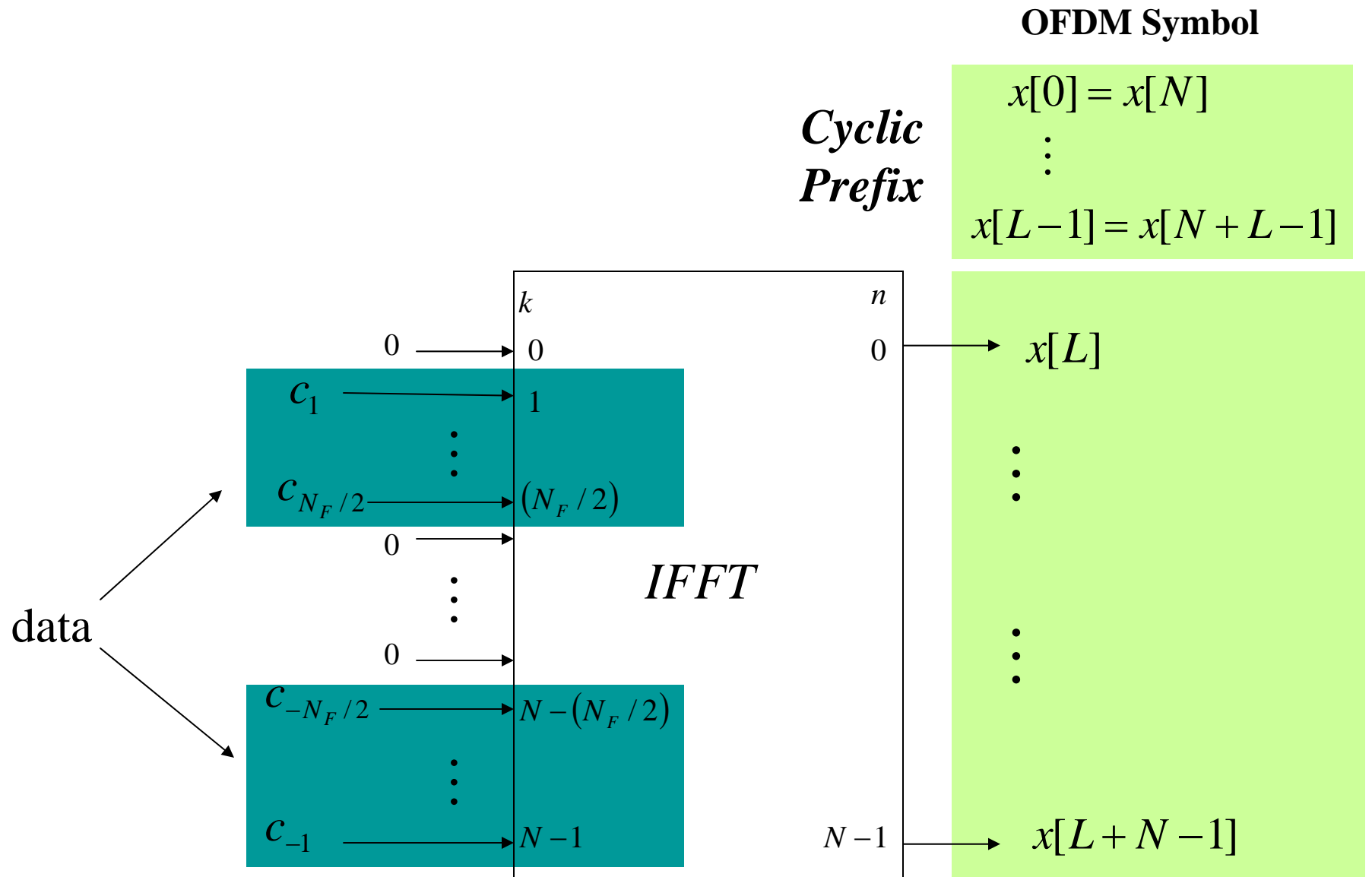
$X[k] = c_k,$	$k = 1, \dots, N_F / 2$	positive subcarriers
$X[N+k] = c_k,$	$k = -1, \dots, -N_F / 2$	negative subcarriers
$X[k] = 0,$	otherwise	

## Guard Time with Cyclic Prefix (CP)



CP from the periodicity:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x[n] = x[N + n] & \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} & x[0] = x[N] \\ & x[1] = x[N + 1] \\ & \dots \\ & x[L - 1] = x[L + N - 1] \end{aligned}
 \end{aligned}$$



# Summary of OFDM

## ... and relevant parameters

### Channel (given parameters):

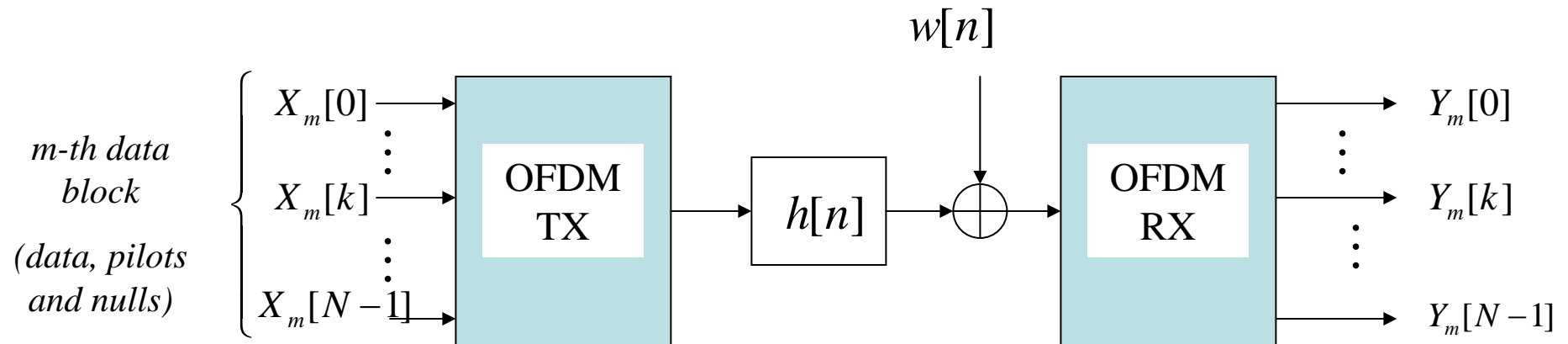
1. Max Time Spread                      **t\_MAX** in sec
2. Doppler Spread                        **F\_D** in Hz
3. Bandwidth                               **BW** in Hz

### **OFDM (design parameters):**

1. Sampling Frequency                  **F<sub>s</sub>** > BW in Hz
2. Cyclic Prefix                           **L** > t\_MAX \* F<sub>s</sub>, integer
3. FFT size (power of 2)                **4\*L** < **N** << F<sub>s</sub>/F\_D, integer
4. Number of Carriers                   **NF** = [N\*BW/F<sub>s</sub>], integer



Test in Simulation:



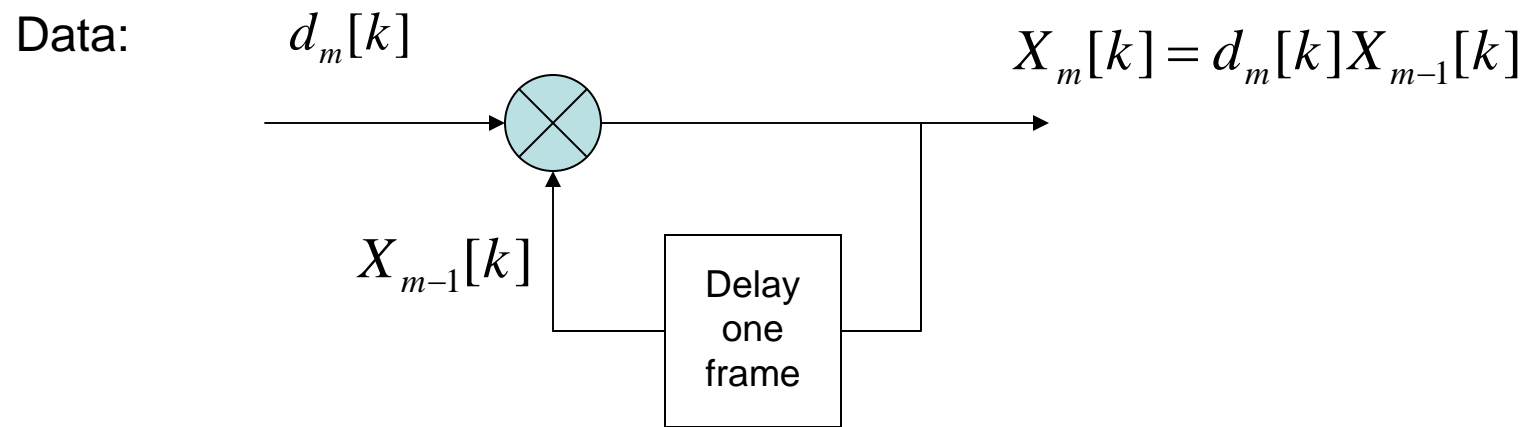
Recall that for every transmitted block of data we receive

$$Y_m[k] = H_m[k]X_m[k] + W_m[k]$$

With  $H_m[k]$  the frequency response of the channel within the time block

In order to estimate  $X_m[k]$  we need to know the channel.

A way to avoid it is to use differential encoding:



With QPSK it is equivalent to accumulating the phase

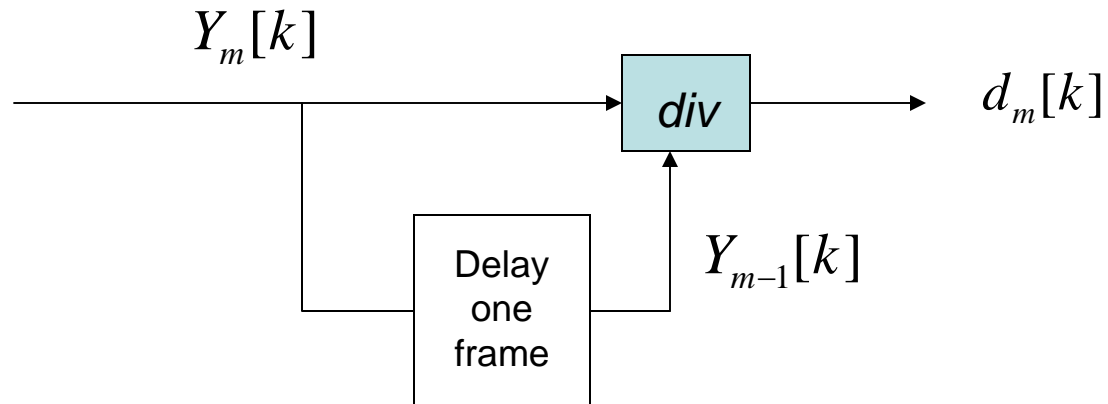
$$\angle X_m[k] = \angle X_{m-1}[k] + \angle d_m[k]$$

At the receiver

$$\hat{d}_m[k] = \frac{Y_m[k]}{Y_{m-1}[k]} = \frac{H_m[k]X_m[k] + W_m[k]}{H_{m-1}[k]X_{m-1}[k] + W_{m-1}[k]} \cong d_m[k]$$

Provided:

- a. The channel changes slowly  $H_m[k] \cong H_{m-1}[k] \neq 0$
- b. High SNR



## Lab 4: Single Carrier vs. OFDM Modulation

**Goal:** In this Lab we want to compare Single Carrier (SC) modulation with Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM), with Differential Modulation .

**1.** Using the Simulink model **test\_SC.mdl** see the received signal for various values of the symbol rate

$$F_s = 2.0, 20.0, 200.0, 2000.0 \text{ kHz}$$

As the symbol rate increases, notice the effect of Inter Symbol Interference in the scattering plot.

**2.** Repeat the same with the Simulink model **test\_OFDM.mdl** and see the received signal for the same values of the symbol rate. Notice how you can increase the data rate and still be able to demodulate the received signal.

## **Example: IEEE 802.11a (WiFi)**

1. Parameters
2. Simulink Example
3. “Frame based” and “Sample based” signals

## Parameters of IEEE802.11a:

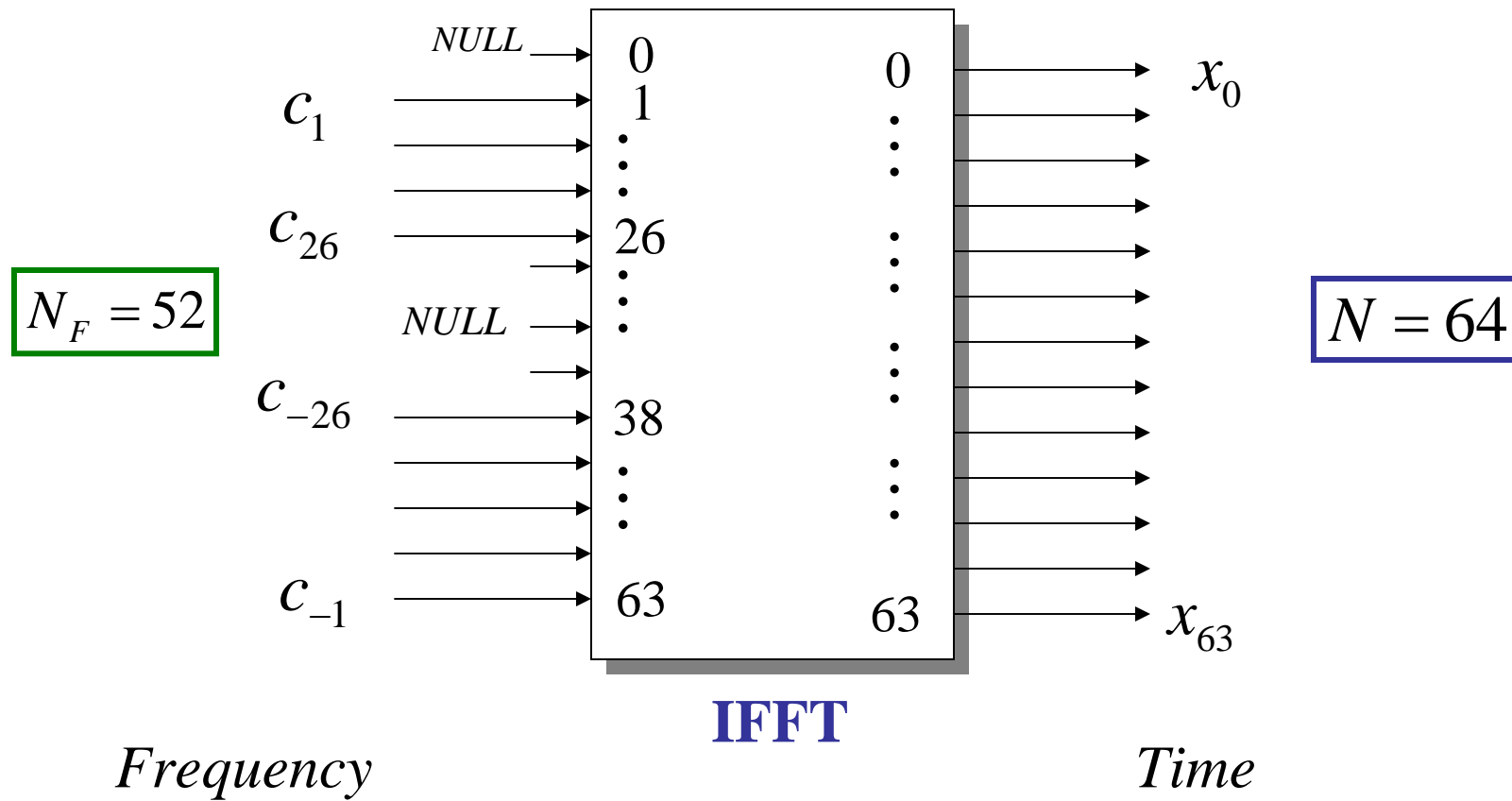
### Channel (given parameters):

1. Max Time Spread                       **$t_{MAX}=0.5$  microsec**
2. Doppler Spread                         **$F_D=50$ Hz**
3. Bandwidth                               **$BW=16$ MHz**

### OFDM (design parameters):

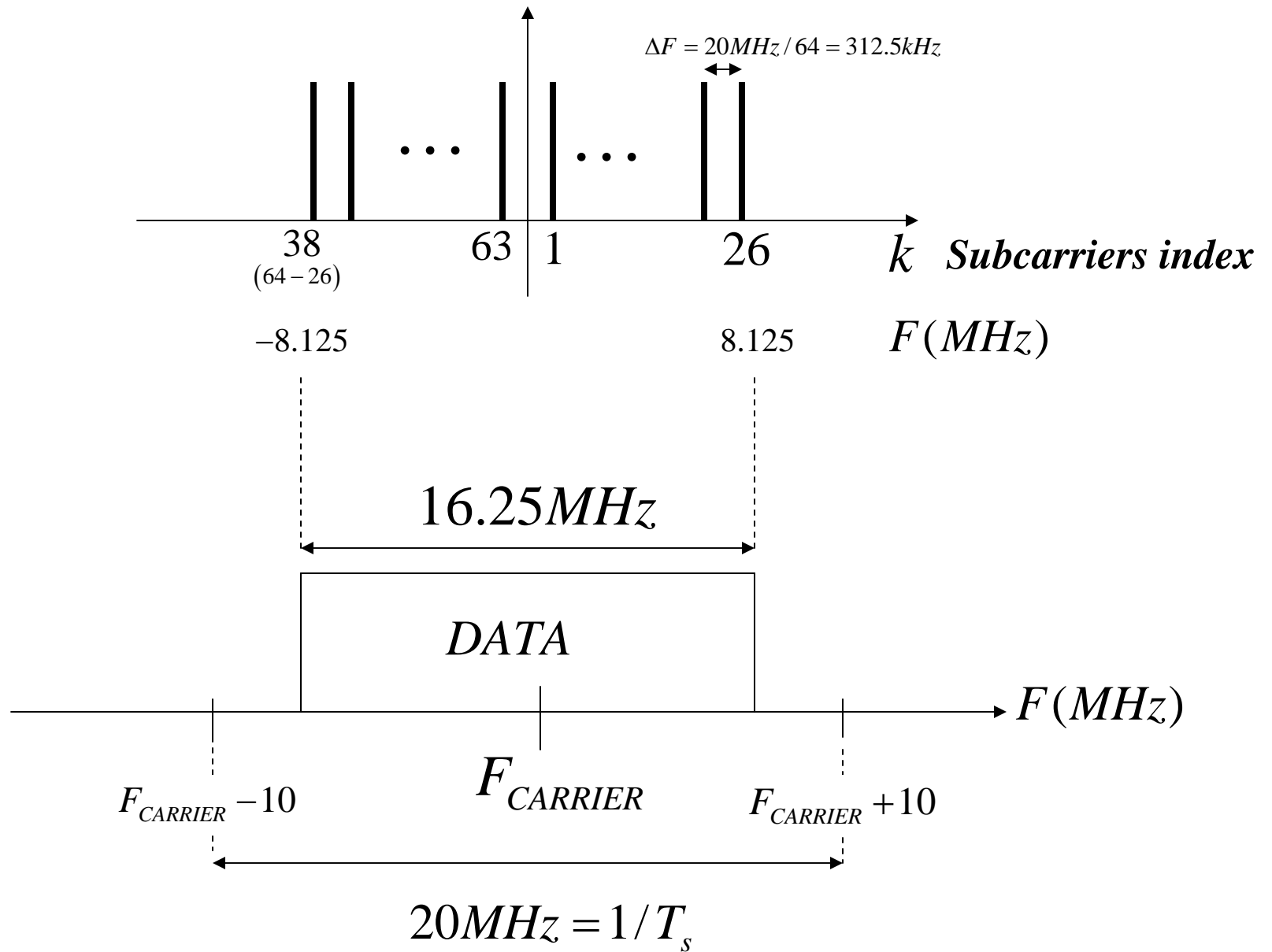
1. Sampling Frequency                   **$F_s=20$ MHz**
2. Cyclic Prefix                           **$L=16 > 0.5*20=10$**
3. FFT size (power of 2)                 **$N=64 \ll 20e06/50$**
4. Number of Carriers                    **$NF=52=[64*16/20]$**

Sub-carriers: (48 data + 4 pilots) + (12 nulls) = 64



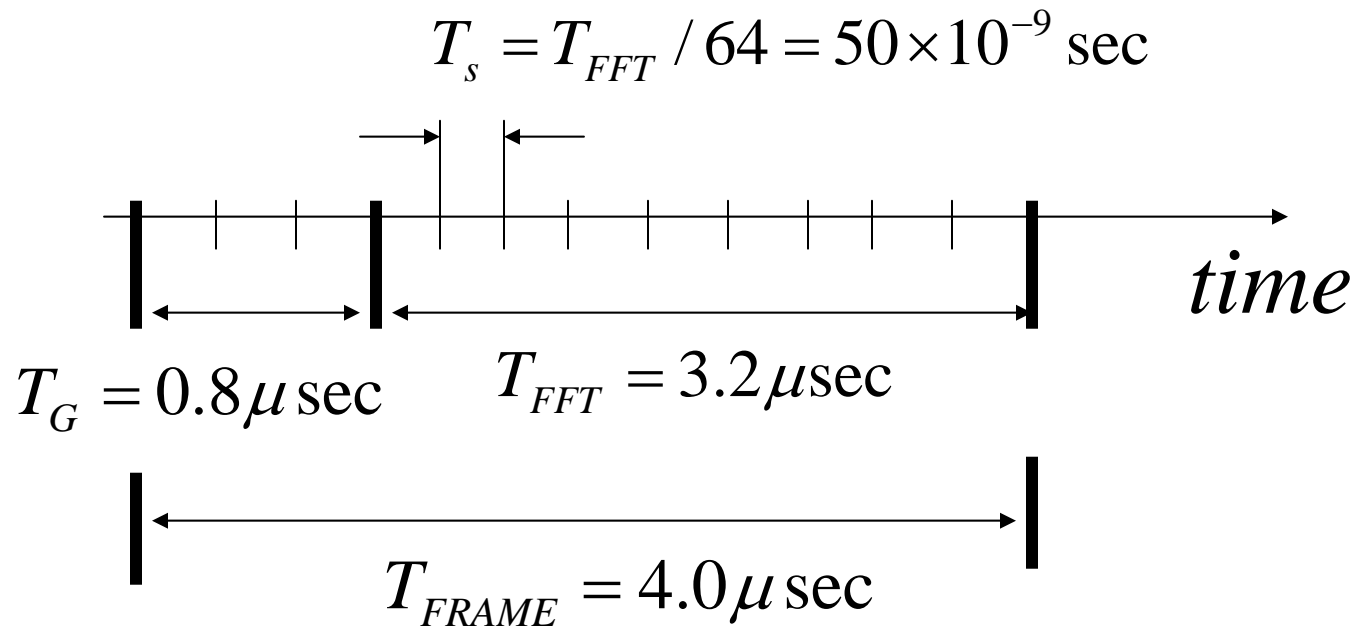
Pilots at: -21, -7, 7, 21

*Frequencies:*



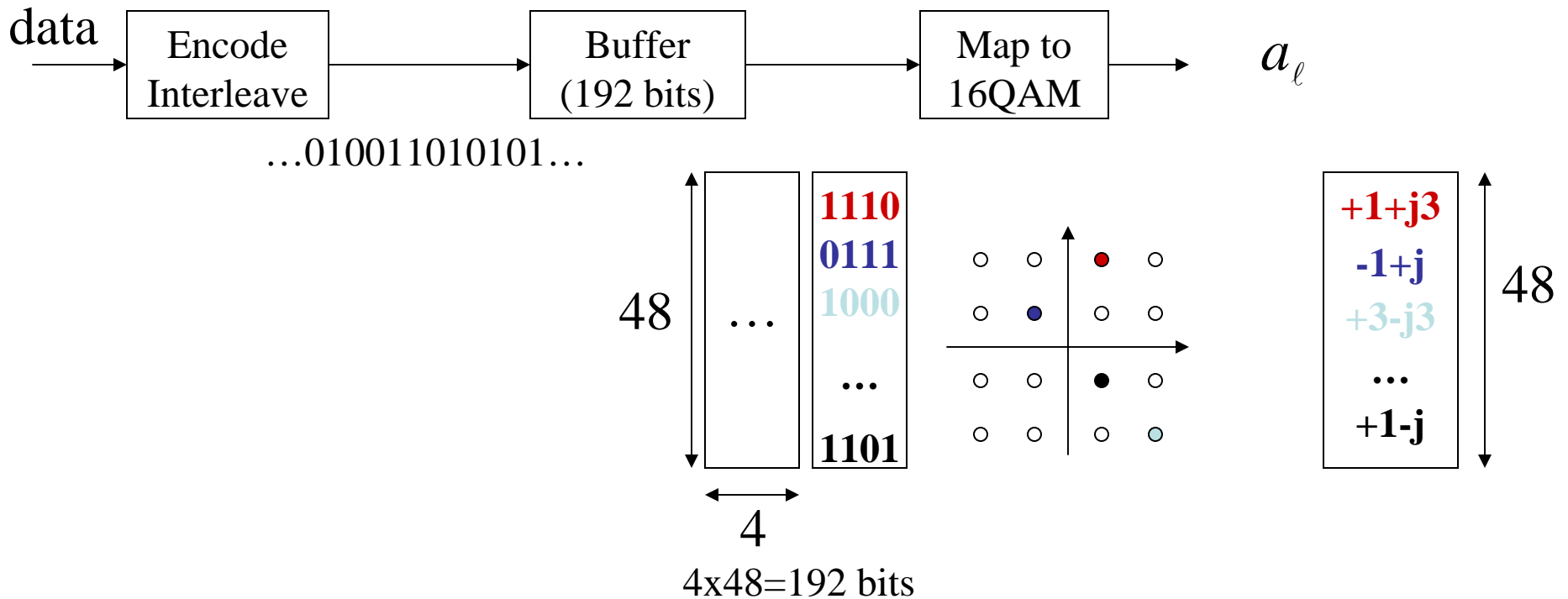


*Time Block:*



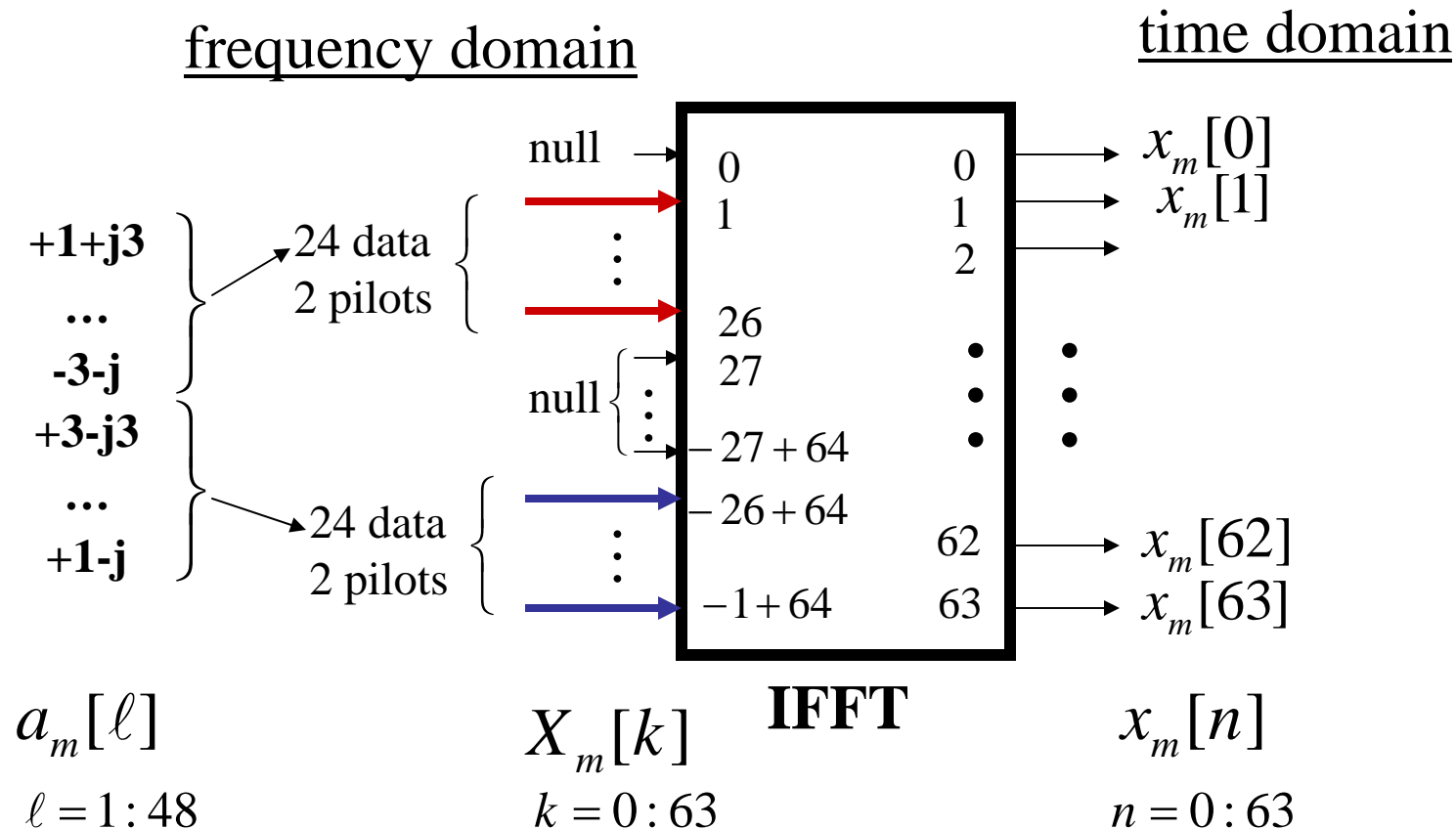
# Overall Implementation (IEEE 802.11a with 16QAM).

1. Map encoded data into blocks of **192** bits and **48** symbols:



# Overall Implementation (IEEE 802.11a with 16QAM).

## 2. Map each block of **48** symbols into **64** samples



## Simulink Example

To make it simpler:

1. let the number of carrier be the same as the FFT length, ie  $N=N_F$ ;
2. Use Differential QPSK Encoding and Decoding, so that we do not need to estimate the channel's frequency response.

## Initial Callback function:

### **% OFDM parameters (IEEE802.11a)**

Fs=20e6; % symbol data rate (uncoded) in Hz

N=64; % FFT sample size

L=16; % Cyclic Prefix sample length

### **% Channel Parameters**

#### *% 1. Doppler Spread*

FC=5.0; % carrier freq. in GHz

v=50; % speed in km/h

FD=v\*FC; % doppler freq in Hz

#### *%2. Time Spread*

tau=[0, 0.1, 0.4]\*1e-6; % time delays in seconds

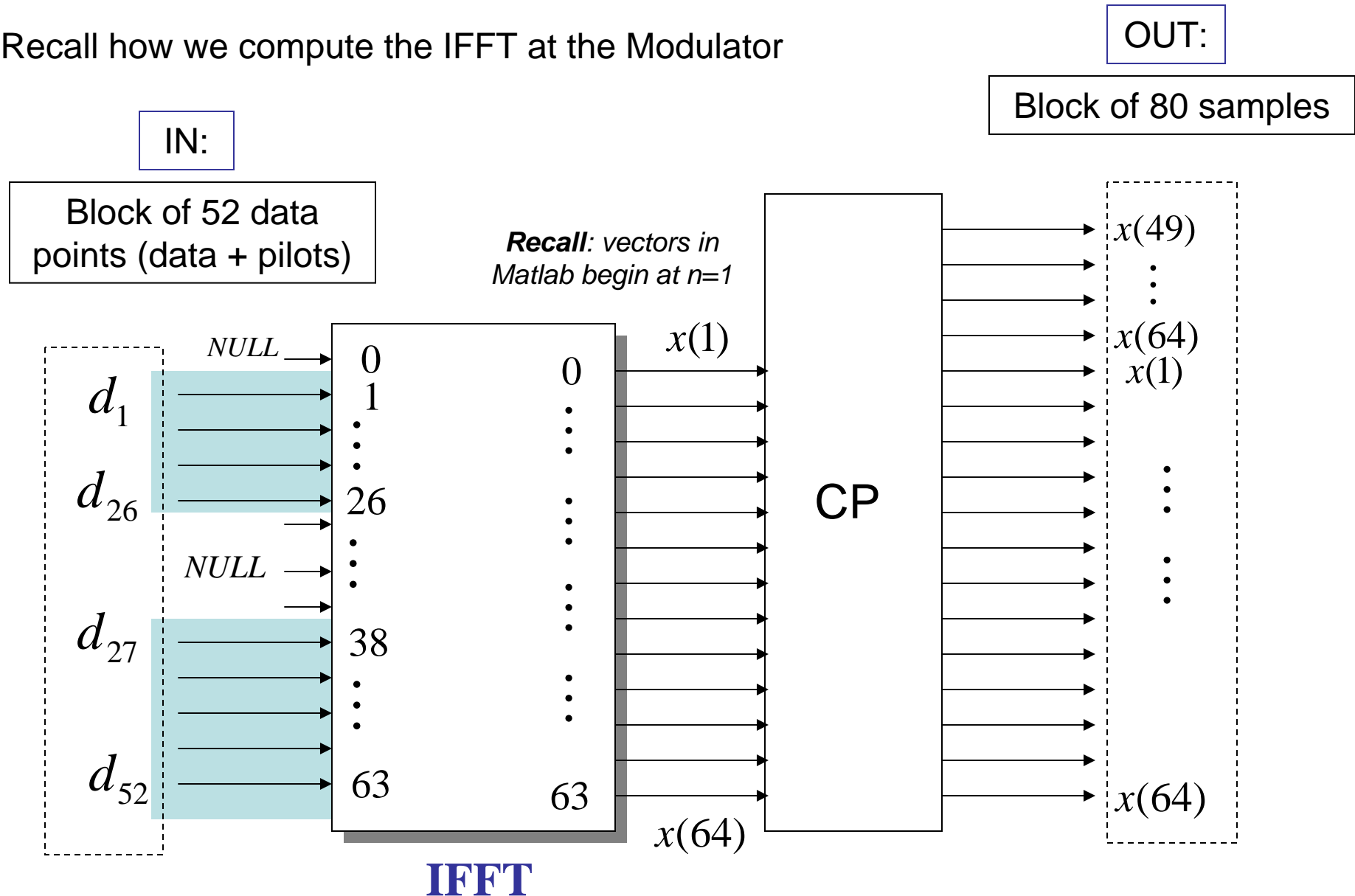
P=[0, -2, -4]; % attenuations in dB

#### *% Additive Noise*

SNRdB=20; % dB

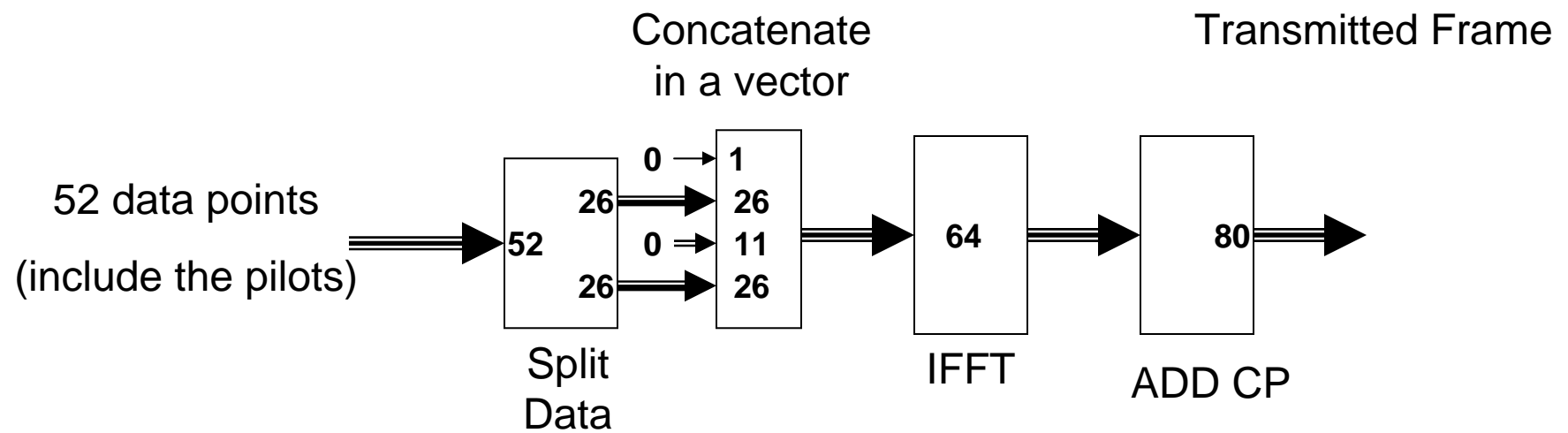
# Simulink Implementation of OFDM IEEE802.11a

Recall how we compute the IFFT at the Modulator

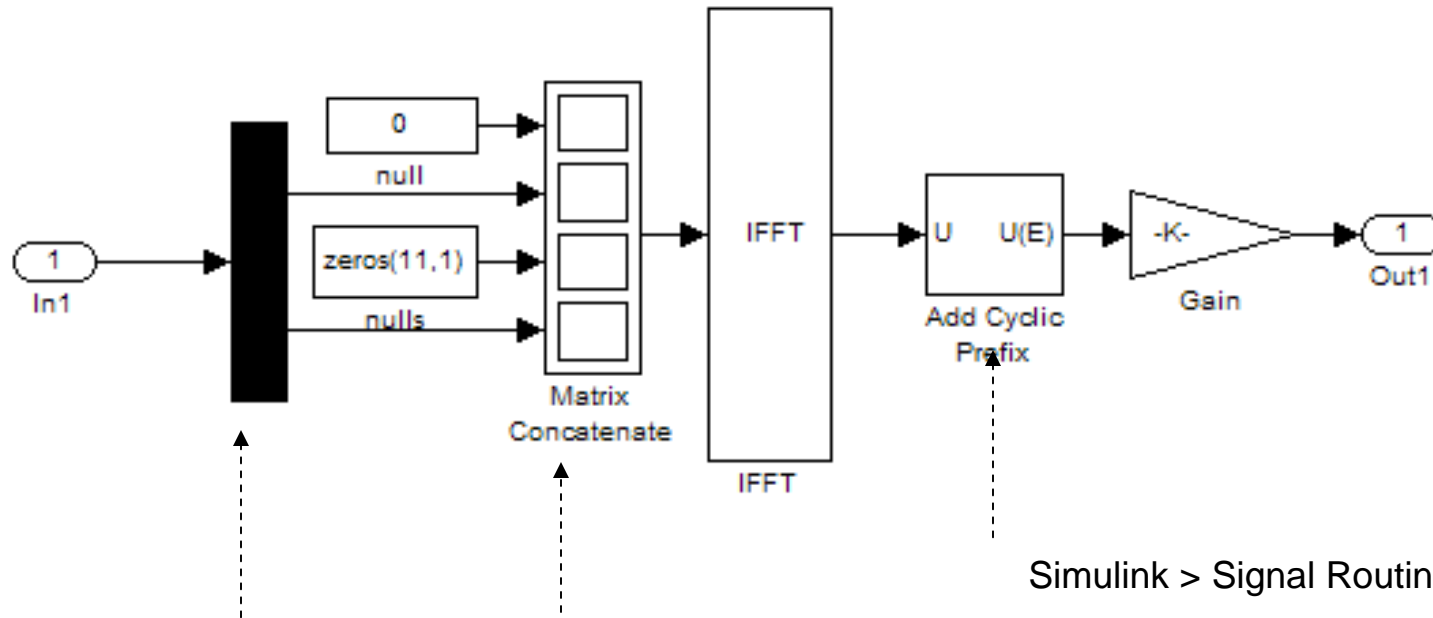


Vector operations.

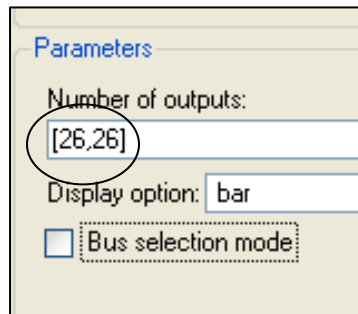
OFDM Modulator:



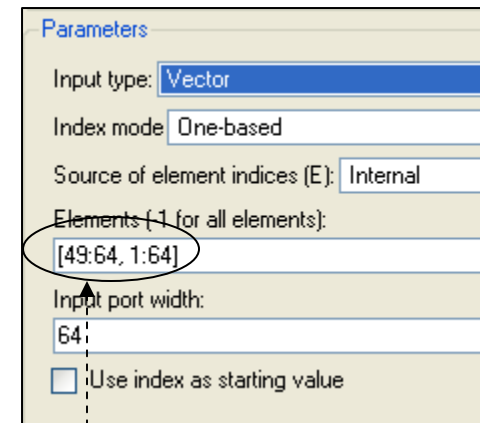
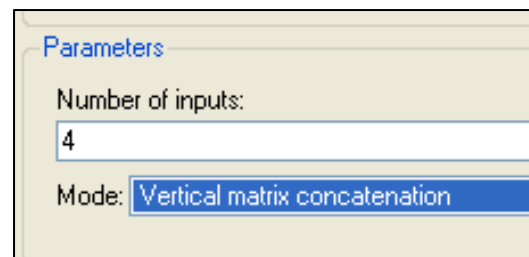
## OFDM Modulator:



Simulink > Commonly  
Used Blocks > demux



Simulink > Math Operations > Matrix  
Concatenate

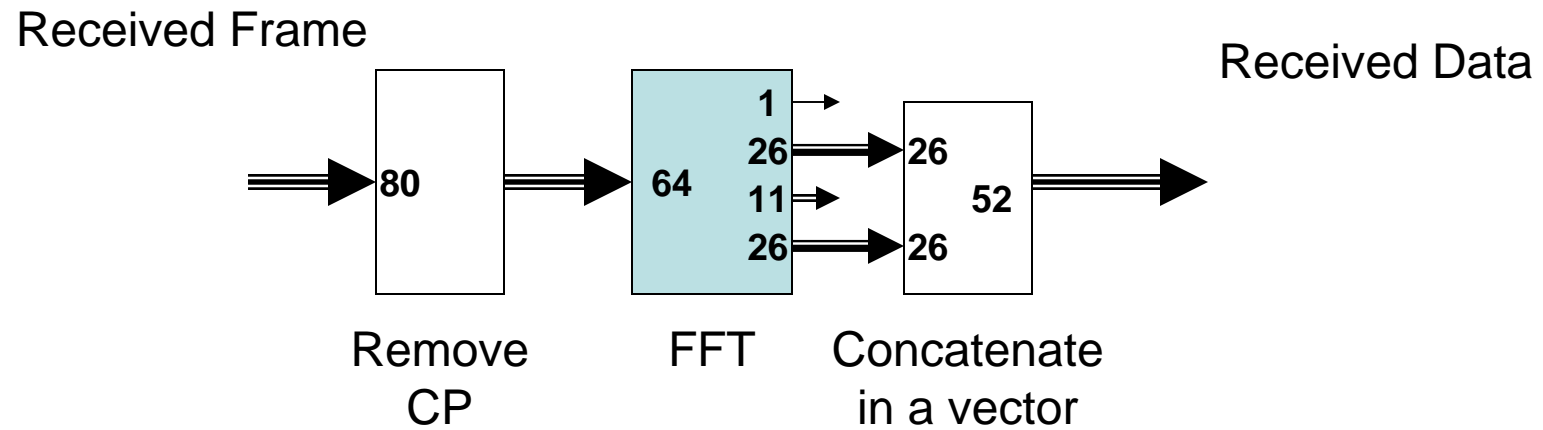


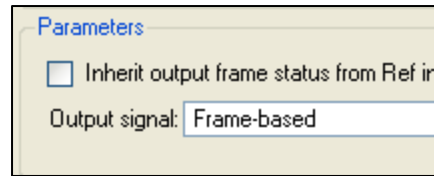
*repeat last 16 entries*

**[49:64, 1:64]**



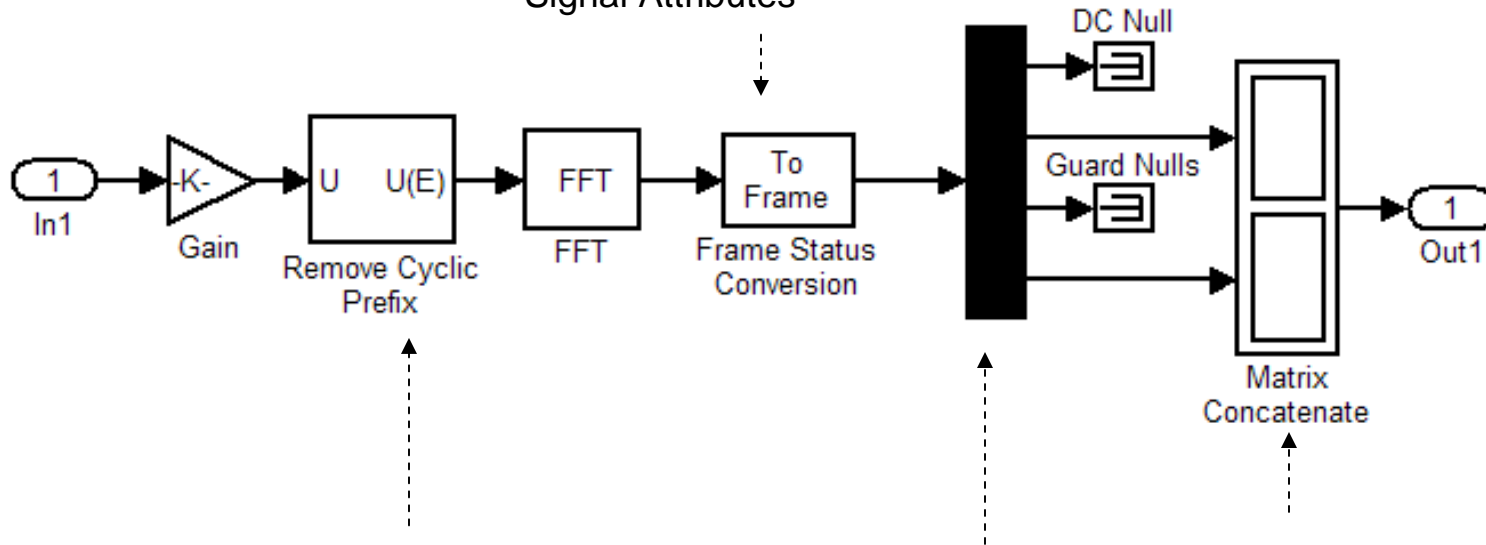
## OFDM Demodulator:





Signal Processing >  
Signal Management >  
Signal Attributes

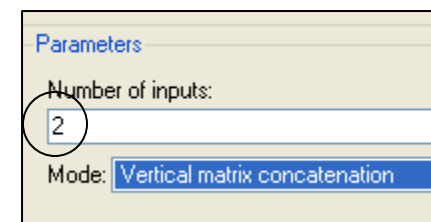
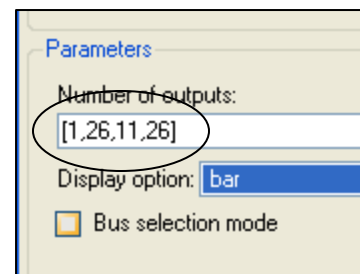
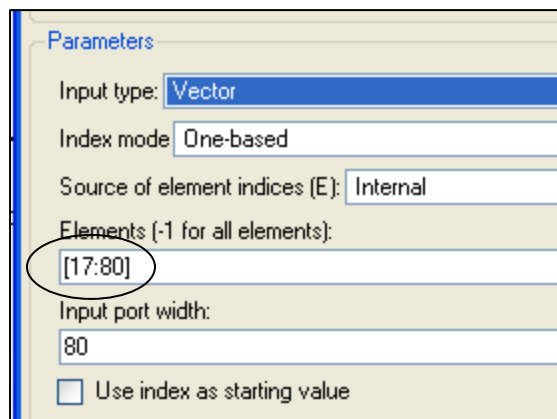
Simulink > Commonly Used  
Blocks > Terminator



Simulink > Signal Routing > Selector

demux

Simulink > Math Operations > Matrix  
Concatenate



## Put Everything Together:

Parameters

Probability of a zero: 0.5

Initial seed: 61

Sample time: 1/Fs

☒ Frame-based outputs

Samples per frame: 52\*log2(M)

Output data type: double

Parameters

Number of bits per integer: log2(M)

Output data type: single

Parameters

M-ary number: M

Input type: Integer

Constellation ordering: Gray

Normalization method: Average Power

Average power (watts): 1

Phase offset (rad): 0

Output Data type: double

**M=4 (QPSK)**  
**f<sub>D</sub>=doppler freq.**

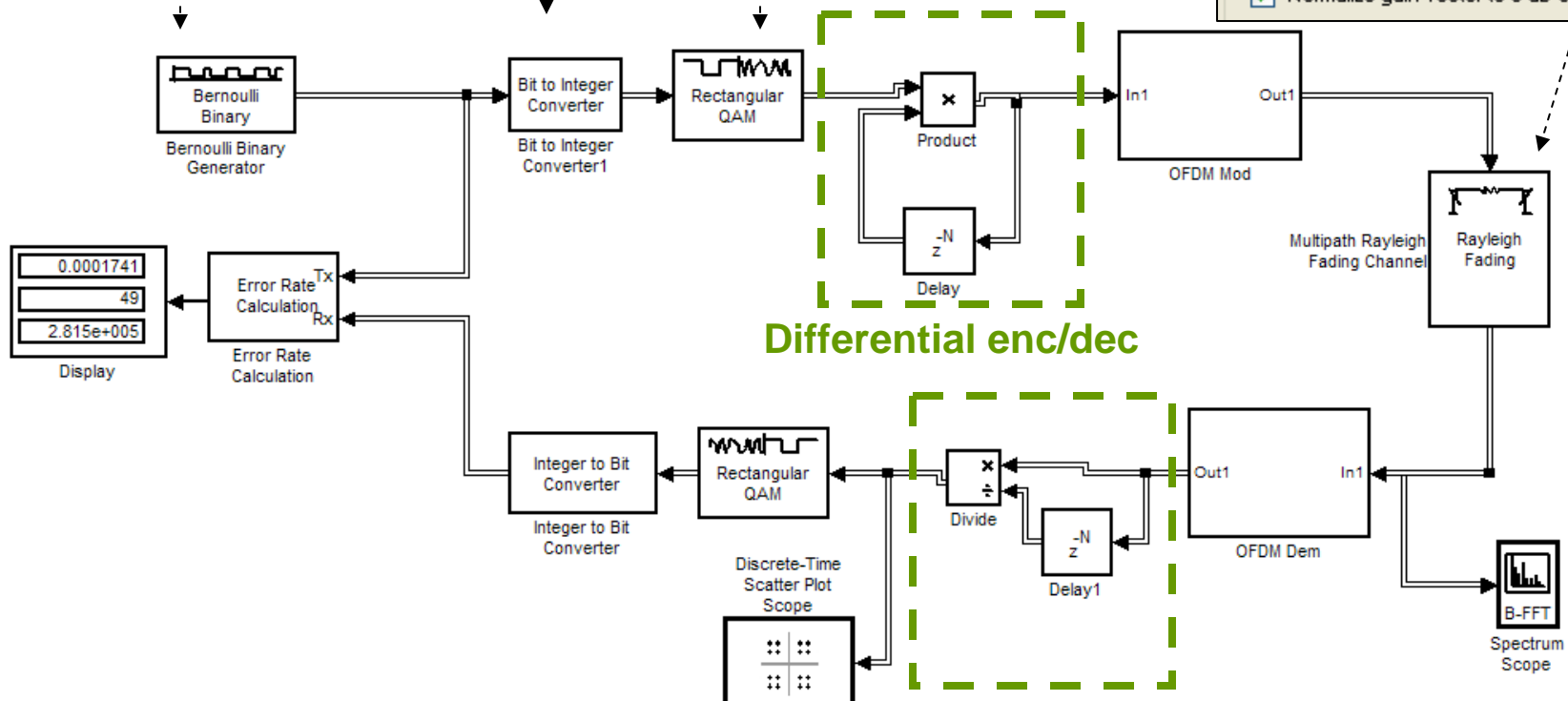
Parameters

Maximum Doppler shift (Hz): f<sub>D</sub>

Delay vector (s): [0, 5, 10, 15]\*1e-6;

Gain vector (dB): [0,-3,-10,-20];

☒ Normalize gain vector to 0 dB overall gain



### 3. “Frame based” and “Sample based”

In Simulink a signal can be

- Frame based
- Sample based

This is particularly important when the signals are vectors.

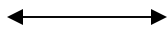
- Some blocks want the input to be Frame based, others want it Sample based, others don't care
- When you have to process a large number of data, it is more efficient to process blocks of samples, using Frames, rather than one sample at a time.

# “Frame based”

Frame Based [Nx1]



Each vector is part (a “frame”) of the same signal



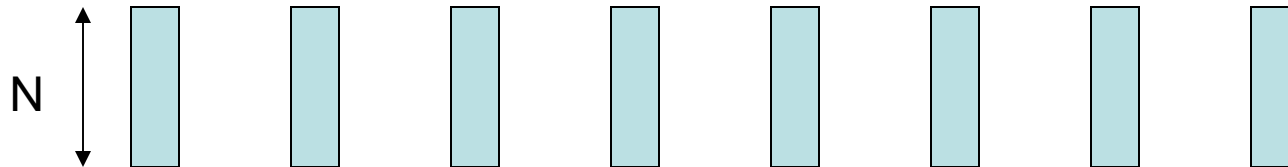
N

# “Sample based”

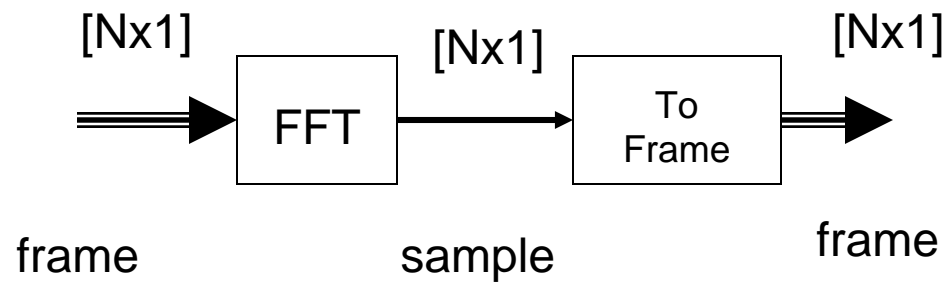
Sample Based [Nx1]



There are N different signals. Each element of the vector belongs to a different signal.



## Typical Example: the FFT block



# IEEE 802.16 Standard

## IEEE 802.16 2004:

### Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems

From the Abstract:

- It specifies air interface for **fixed** Broadband Wireless Access (BWA) systems supporting multimedia services;
- MAC supports point to multipoint with optional mesh topology;
- multiple physical layer (PHY) each suited to a particular operational environment:



# IEEE 802.16-2004 Standard

**Table 1** (Section 1.3.4) **Air Interface Nomenclature:**

- WirelessMAN-SC, Single Carrier (SC), Line of Sight (LOS), 10-66GHz, TDD/FDD
- WirelessMAN-SCa, SC, 2-11GHz licensed bands, TDD/FDD
- WirelessMAN OFDM, 2-11GHz licensed bands, TDD/FDD
- WirelessMAN-OFDMA, 2-11GHz licensed bands, TDD/FDD
- WirelessHUMAN 2-11GHz, unlicensed, TDD

MAN: Metropolitan Area Network

HUMAN: High Speed Unlicensed MAN

# **IEEE 802.16e 2005:**

## **Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed and Mobile Broadband Wireless Access Systems**

### **Amendment 2: Physical and Medium Access Control Layers for Combined Fixed and Mobile Operation in Licensed Bands**

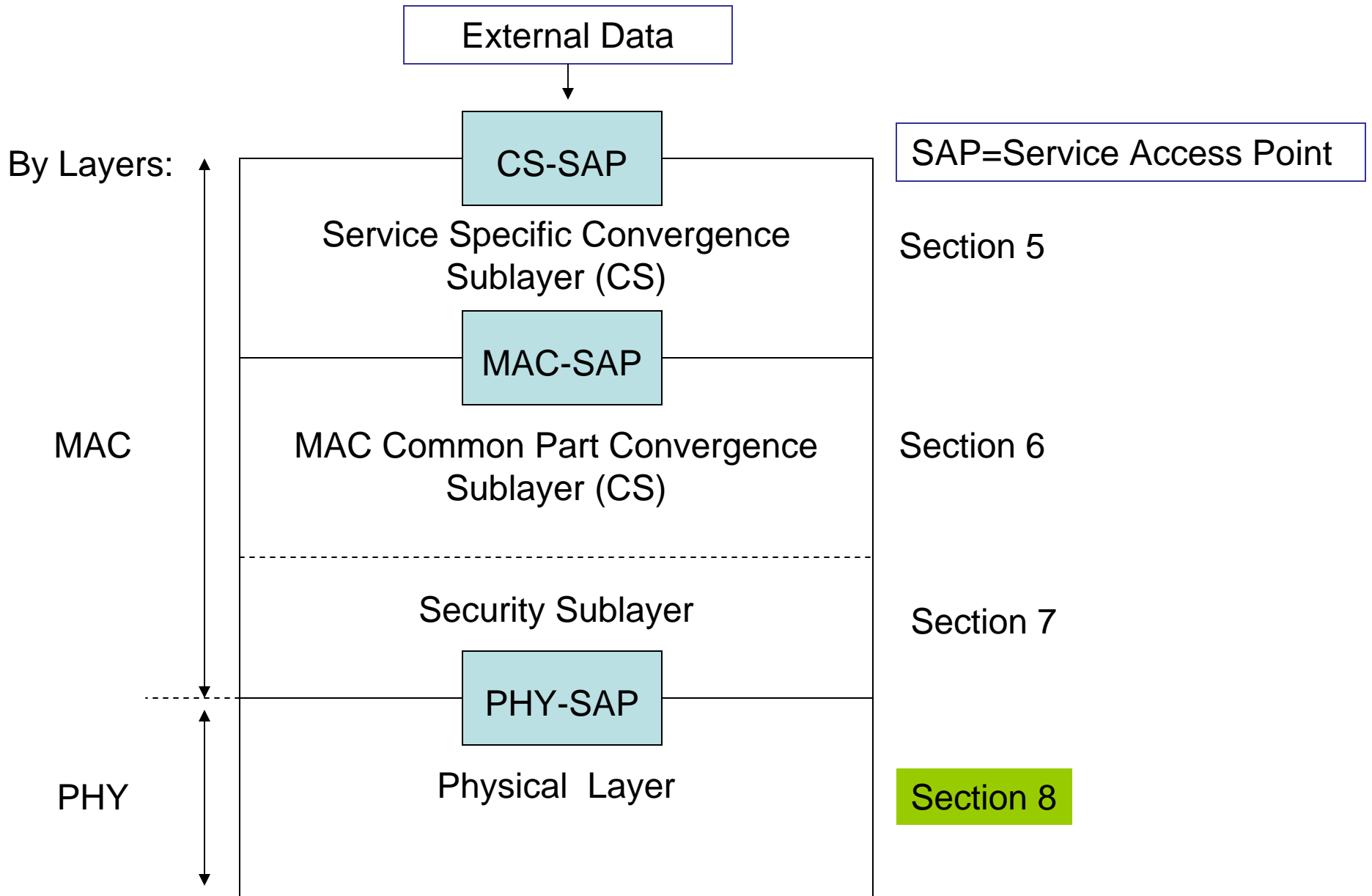
*and*

### **Corrigendum 1**

#### **Scope (Section 1.1):**

- it enhances IEEE 802.16-2004 to support mobility at vehicular speed, for combined fixed and mobile Broadband Wireless Access;
- higher level handover between base stations;
- licensed bands below 6GHz.

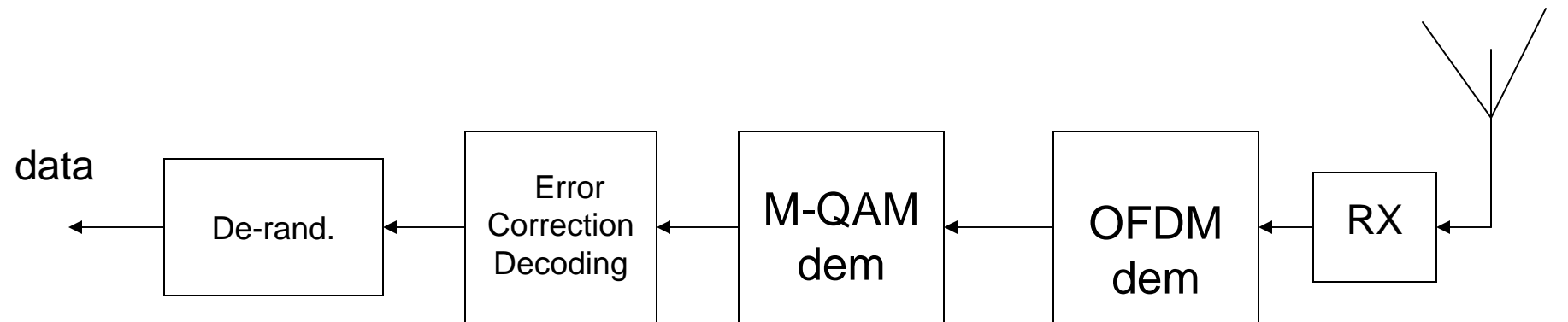
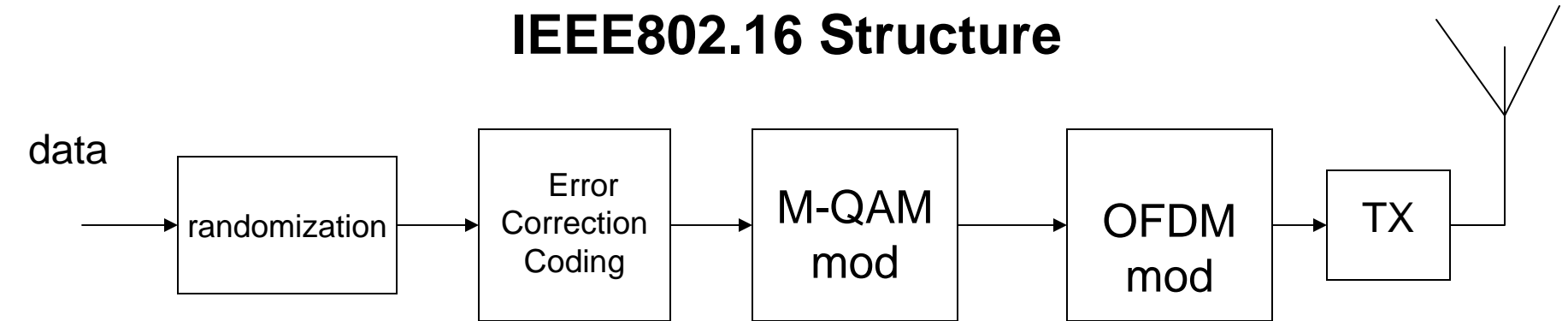
## IEEE 802.16-2004: Reference Model (Section 1.4), Figure 1



## Parameters for IEEE 802.16 (OFDM only)

	<b>802.16-2004</b>	<b>802.16e-2005</b>
Frequency Band	2GHz-11GHz	2GHz-11GHz fixed 2GHz-6GHz mobile
OFDM carriers	OFDM: 256 OFDMA: 2048	OFDM: 256 OFDMA: 128, 256, 512, 1024, 2048
Modulation	QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM	QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM
Transmission Rate	1Mbps-75Mbps	1Mbps-75Mbps
Duplexing	TDD or FDD	TDD or FDD
Channel Bandwidth	(1,2,4,8)x1.75MHz (1,4,8,12)x1.25MHz 8.75MHz	(1,2,4,8)x1.75MHz (1,4,8,12)x1.25MHz 8.75MHz

# IEEE802.16 Structure



## Choices:

Coding rates
1/2
2/3
3/4
5/6

M-QAM
2
4
16
64

OFDM carriers
256
512
1024
2048

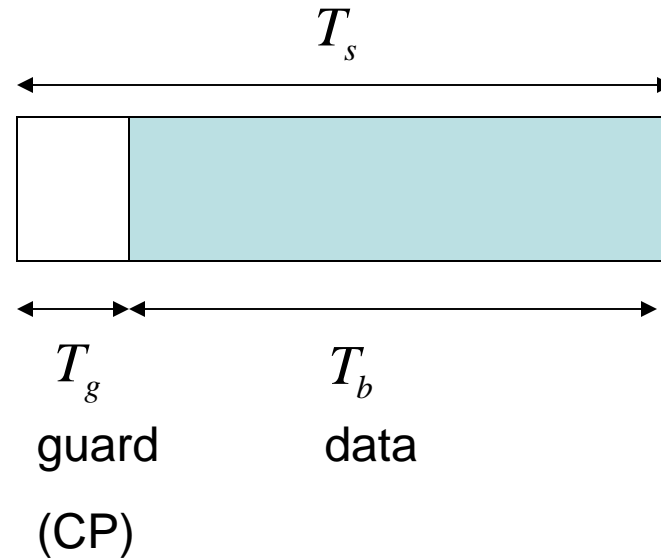
Channel B/width
1.25 MHz
5 MHz
10 MHz
...

# OFDM and OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access)

- Mobile WiMax is based on OFDMA;
- OFDMA allows for subchannellization of data in both uplink and downlink;
- Subchannels are just subsets of the OFDM carriers: they can use contiguous or randomly allocated frequencies;
- FUSC: Full Use of Subcarriers. Each subchannel has up to 48 subcarriers evenly distributed through the entire band;
- PUSC: Partial Use of Subcarriers. Each subchannel has subcarriers randomly allocated within clusters (14 subcarriers per cluster) .

## Section 8.3.2: OFDM Symbol Parameters and Transmitted Signal

OFDM Symbol



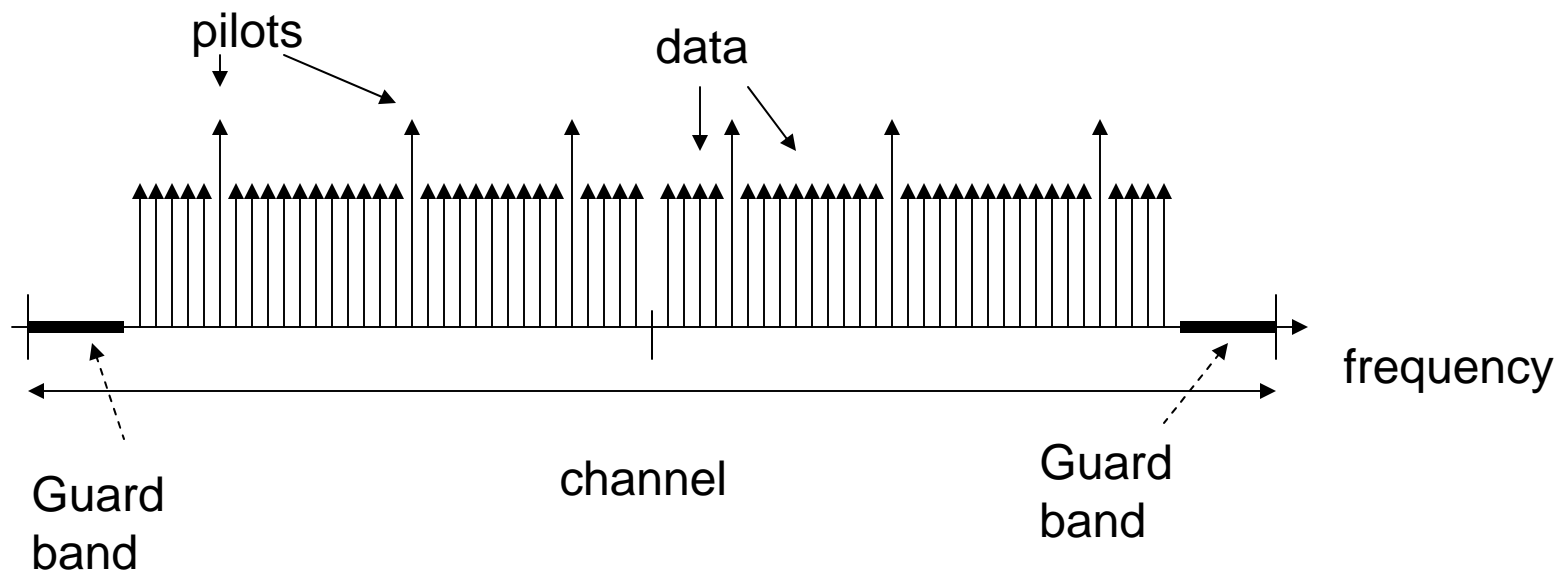
$$\frac{T_g}{T_b} = \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{32}$$

Cyclic Prefix has a variable length. It represents a loss of

$$L_{CP} = 10 \log \left( T_b / (T_b + T_g) \right)$$

An OFDM Symbol is made of

- Data Carriers: data
- Pilot Carriers: synchronization and estimation
- Null Carriers: guard frequency bands and DC (at the modulating carrier)



$N_{guards}$  = to provide frequency guards between channels

$N_{nulls} = N_{guards} + 1$  (DC subcarrier is always zero)

$N_{pilots}$  = pilots for channel tracking and synchronization

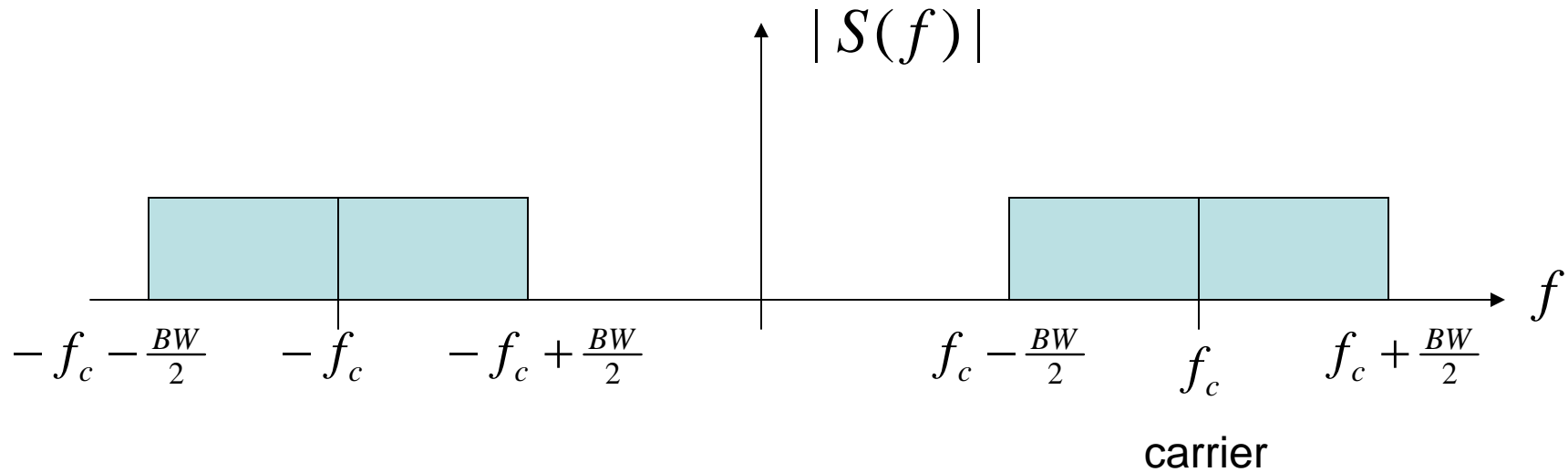
$N_{data}$  = data subcarriers

$N_{used} = N_{pilots} + N_{data}$



Recall the OFDM symbol is of the form

$$s(t) = \text{Re} \left\{ e^{j2\pi f_c t} \sum_{\substack{k=-\frac{N_{used}}{2} \\ k \neq 0}}^{\frac{N_{used}}{2}} c_k e^{j2\pi k \Delta f (t - T_g)} \right\}$$



## OFDM Subcarrier Parameters:

FFT size	256	128	512	1024	2048
N_used	200	108	426	850	1702
N_nulls	56	20	86	174	346
N_pilots	8	12	42	82	166
N_data	192	96	384	768	1536

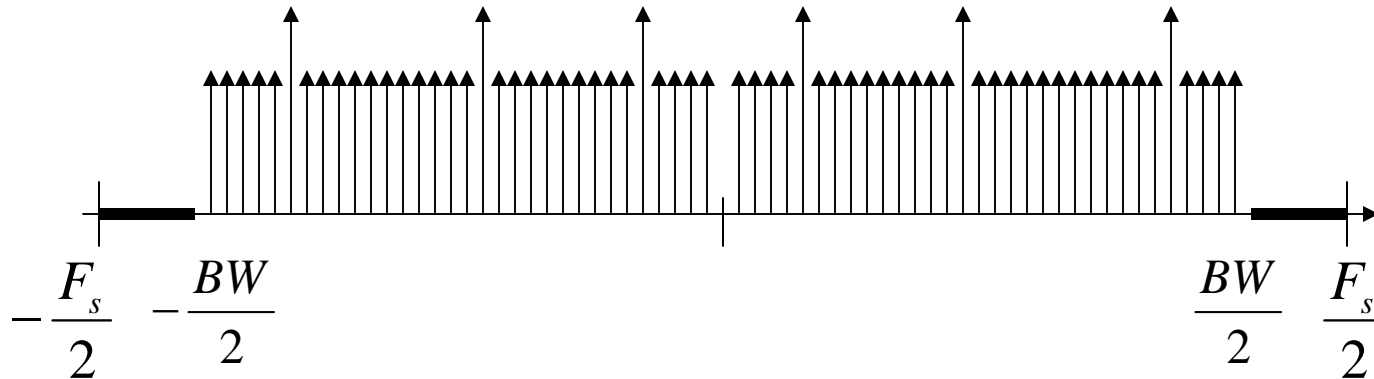
↑  
Fixed  
WiMax

Fixed and  
Mobile  
WiMax

In 802.16 2004 we have

$$N_{FFT} = 256$$

$$N_{used} = 200$$



Frequency Spacing  $\Delta f = 1 / \text{data\_symbol\_length} = 1 / T_b$

Sampling frequency  $F_s = N_{FFT} \Delta f$

Bandwidth  $BW = N_{used} \Delta f = \frac{N_{used}}{N_{FFT}} F_s$

Since we want the sampling rate to be integer multiple of a fixed rate (say 8kHz), the formula for the sampling rate is

$$F_s = \text{floor}(n \times BW / 8,000) \times 8,000$$

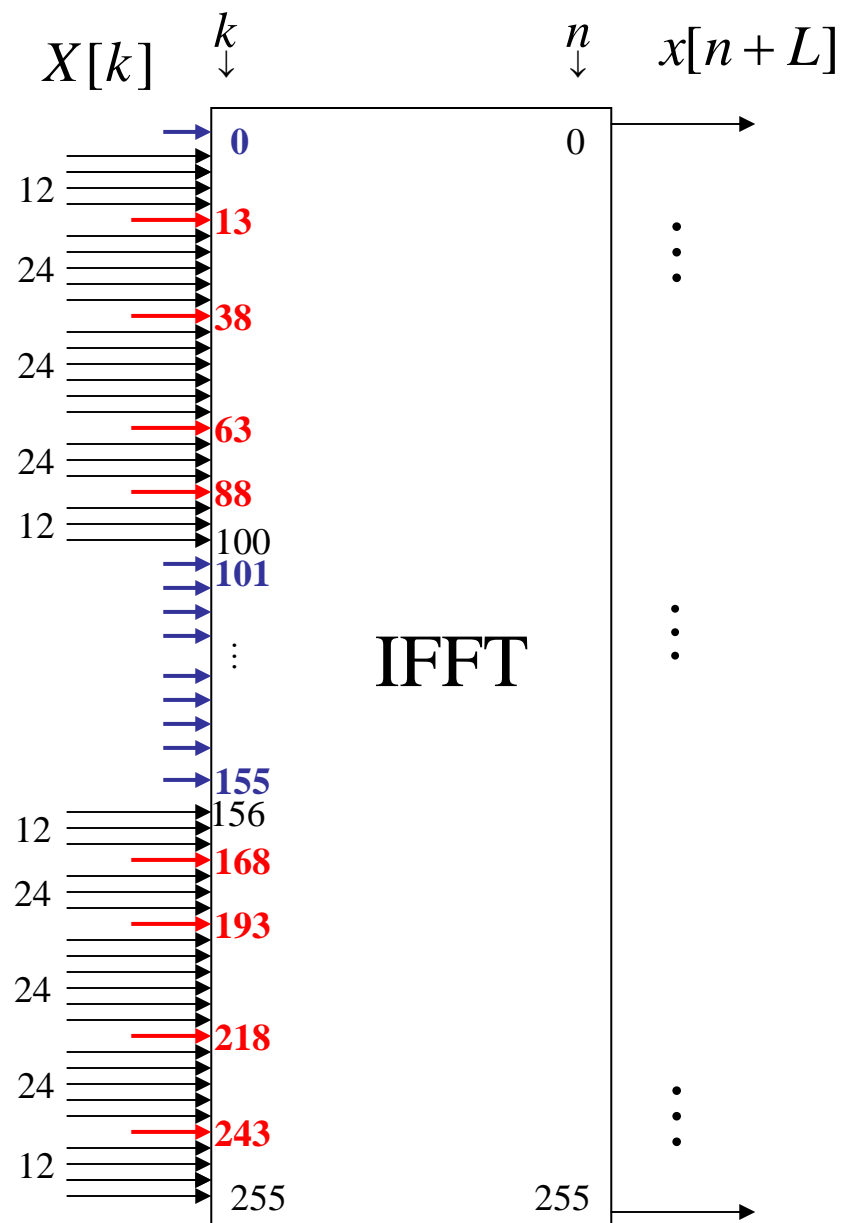
With  $n$  a factor (Table 213) of the order  $n = \frac{8}{7}, \frac{86}{75}, \frac{144}{125}, \frac{316}{275}, \frac{57}{50}, \approx \frac{256}{200}$

# IEEE 802.16, with $N=256$

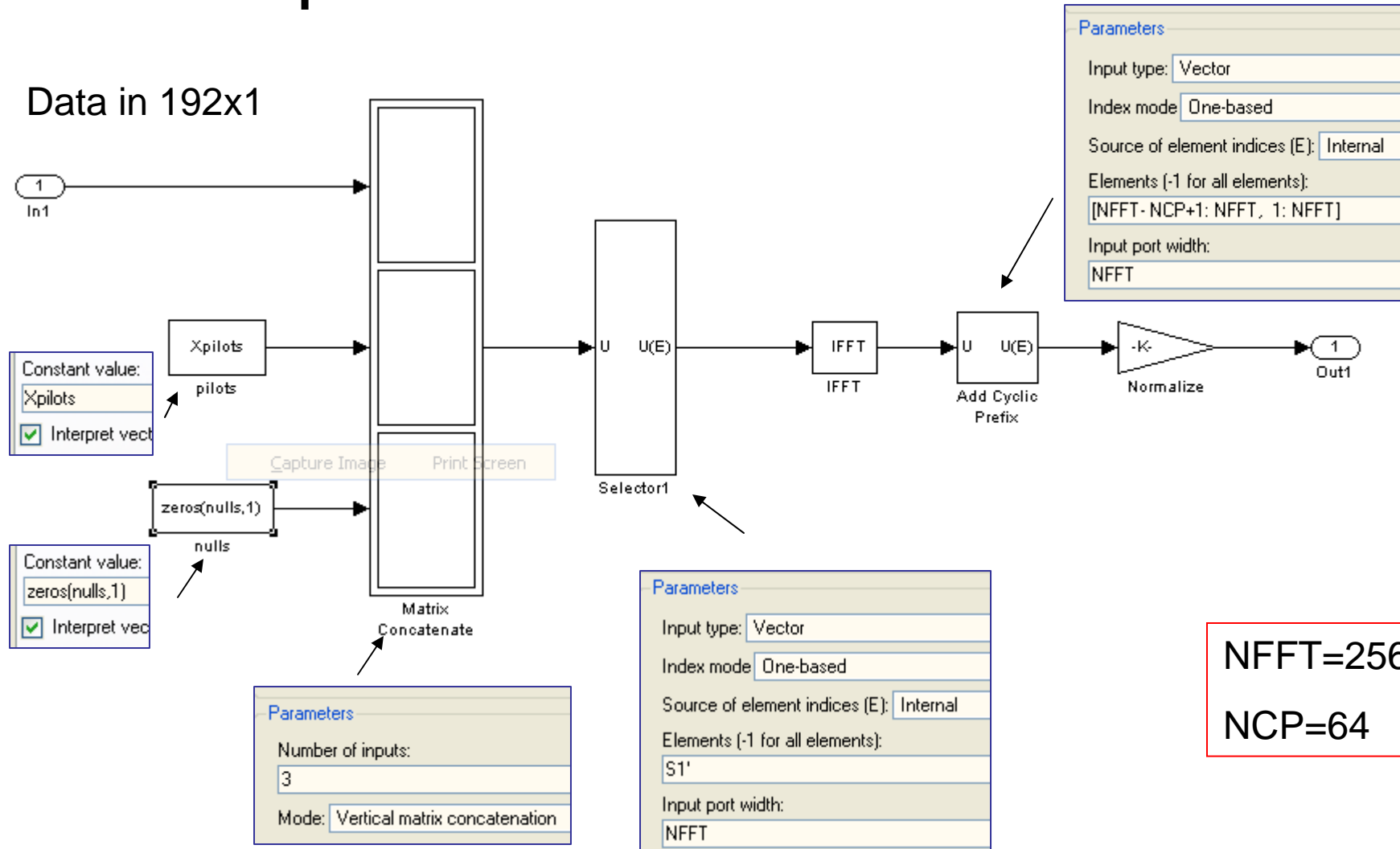
→ data

→ pilots

→ nulls



# Implementation of WiMax 2004 in Simulink



NFFT=256

NCP=64

## **5. Error Correcting Coding**

- 1. Channel Capacity and Error Correction Coding***
- 2. Block Coding***
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- 5. Convolutional Codes***
- 6. Simulink Implementation of Convolutional Codes***
- 7. Concatenated Codes in IEEE802.16***

# ***1. Channel Capacity and Error Correction Coding***

## ***1.1 Channel Capacity***

## ***1.2 Error Correction Coding***

## ***1.3 Minimum SNR Requirement and Shannon Limit***

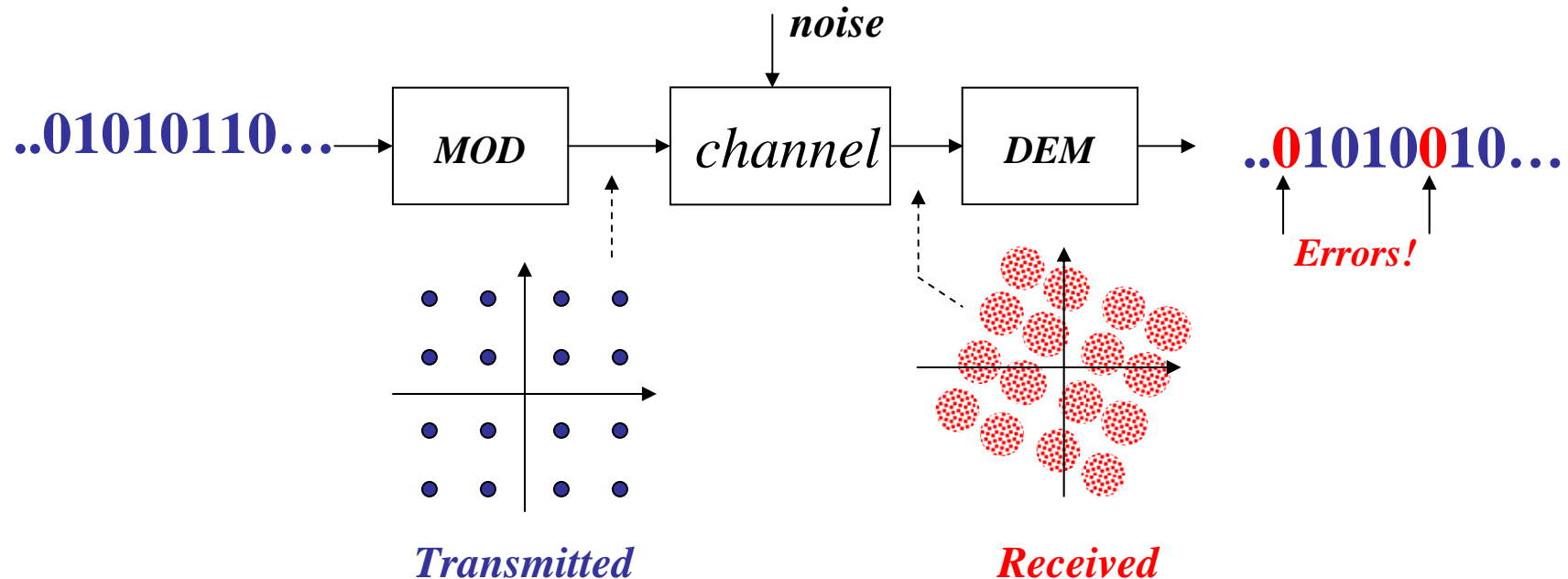
# 1. Channel Capacity

**Problem**: given a AWGN Channel, defined in terms of

- **Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)**
- **Bandwidth  $B$**

and a desired Bit Error Rate (BER),

what is the **maximum data rate** we can transmit?





Define the **Channel Capacity**:

$$C = B \log_2(1 + SNR) \text{ bits/sec}$$

Significance: if the transmitted data rate  $R < C$  then we can always find a coding scheme to make the bit error rate arbitrarily small.

**Example:**

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{SNR}_{\text{dB}} = 20\text{dB} \\ B = 10\text{MHz} \end{array} \Rightarrow C = 10^7 \log_2(1 + 10^{20/10}) = 66.5 \text{ Mbits/sec}$$

Problem: How do we encode the data to obtain an acceptable error rate?

***Use Error Correction Coding!***

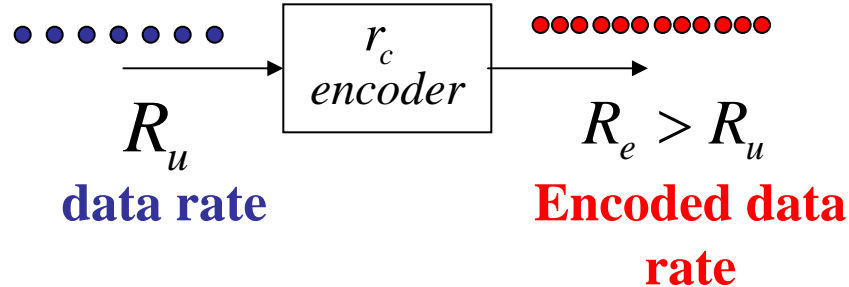
## 2. Error Correction Coding

Purpose: detect and Correct Errors by adding redundant information.

How to Define an Encoder:

- code rate

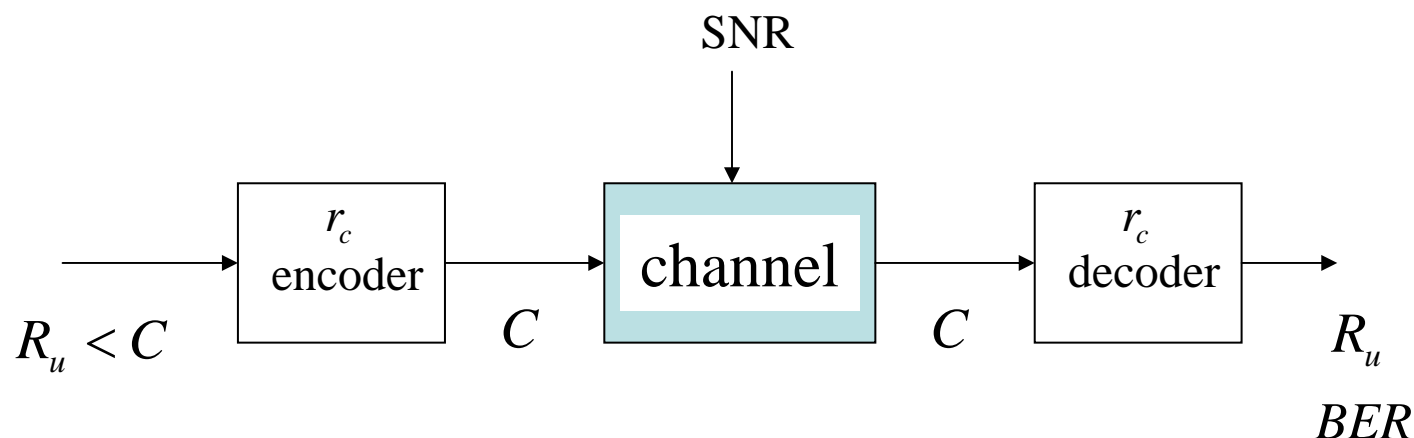
$$r_c = \frac{R_u}{R_e} < 1$$



- number of errors corrected

$$BER = \frac{\# \text{ bits in error}}{\text{total \# of bits}}$$

## Relation to Channel Capacity



Given

- a data rate  $R_u < C$
  - a desired Bit Error Rate ( $BER$ ) arbitrarily small
- you can always find a code with coding rate

$$r_c \leq \frac{R_u}{C} < 1$$

with desired  $BER$ .

Clearly the Complexity goes up with the coding rate.

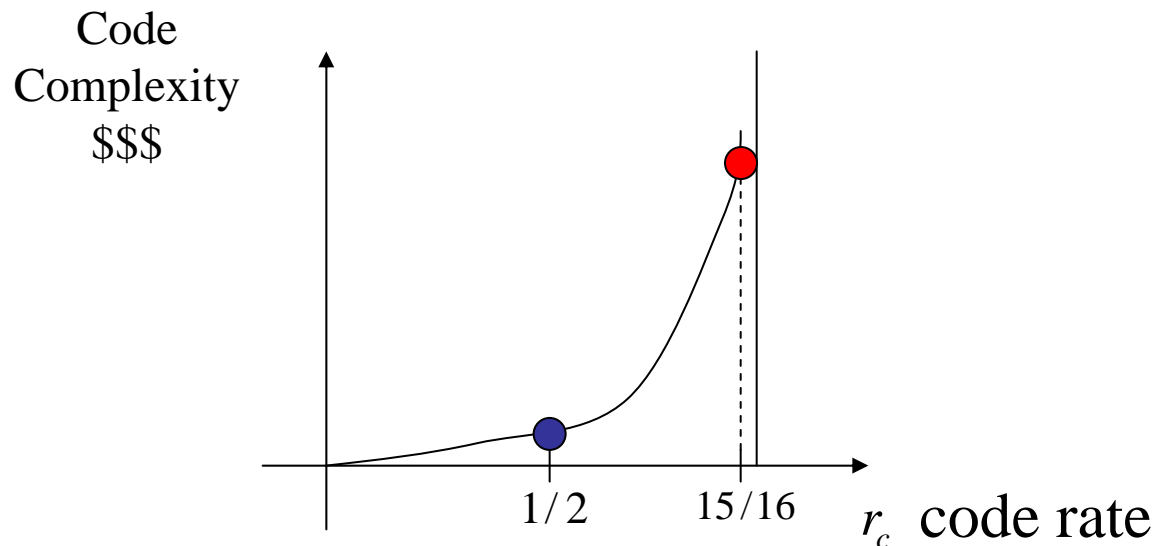
Example: see two situations with the same  $BER = 10^{-5}$  and

$$E_b / N_0 \approx 4dB$$

A. **Convolutional Encoder** with rate  $r_c = 1/2$

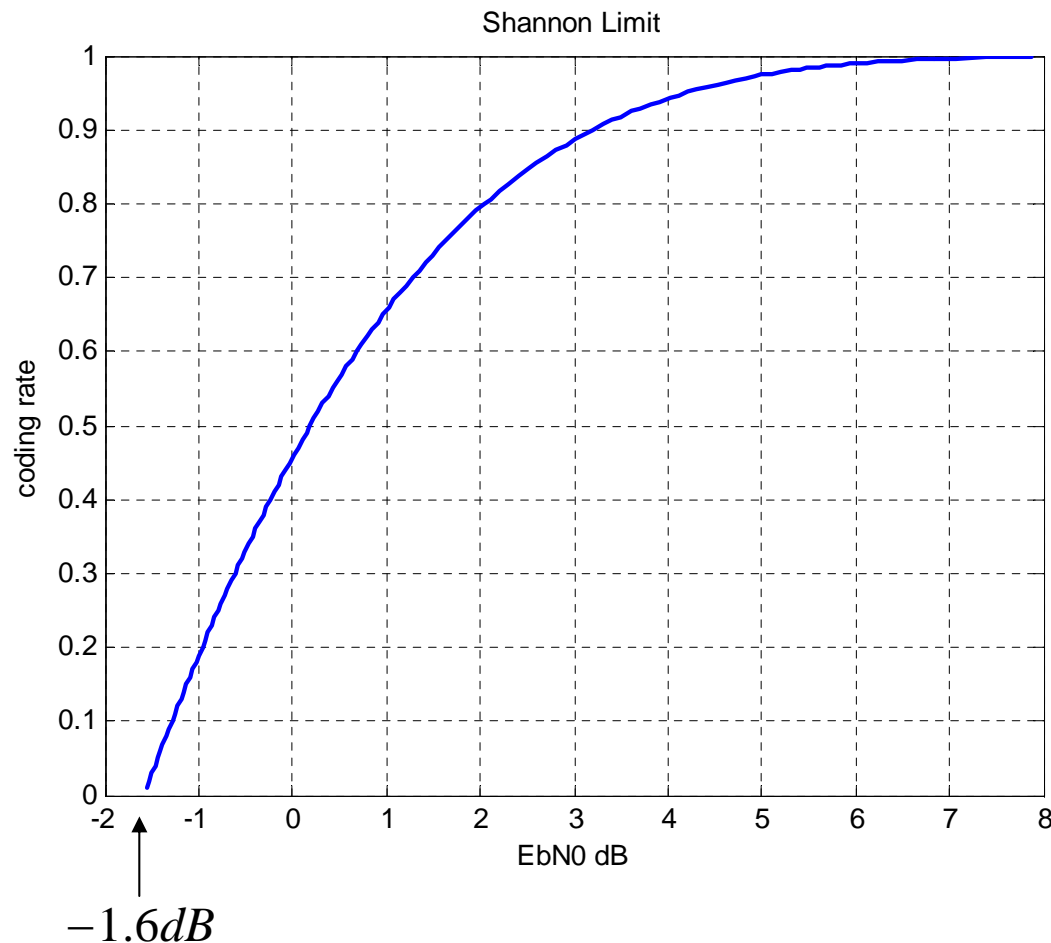
B. **Block Code (65520, 61425)** low density parity check, with coding

rate  $r_c = \frac{61425}{65520} = \frac{15}{16}$



### 3. Minimum SNR Requirements

For a given Coding Rate, what is the minimum  $E_b / N_0$  we can have?



Notice:  $\frac{E_b}{N_0} > -1.6dB$  always!!!

## 2. Block Coding

*2.1 Parameters of Block Codes*

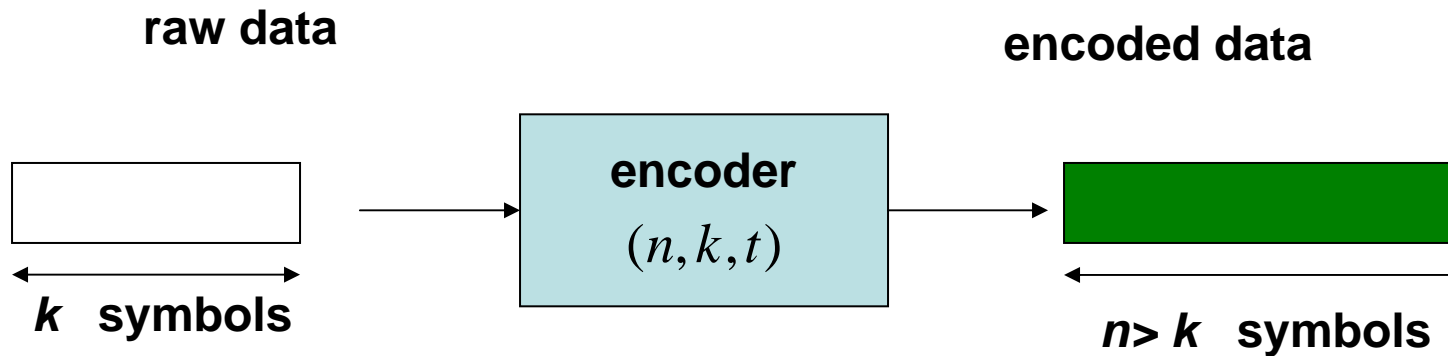
*2.2 Probability of Error*

*2.3 Reed Solomon Codes (non binary data)*

*2.3 Simulink Implementation*

## 1. Parameters of Block Codes

It encodes  $k$  blocks of data symbols into  $n$  blocks of encoded symbols:



Code Rate  $r_c = \frac{k}{n}$

Parameters:  $(n, k, t)$

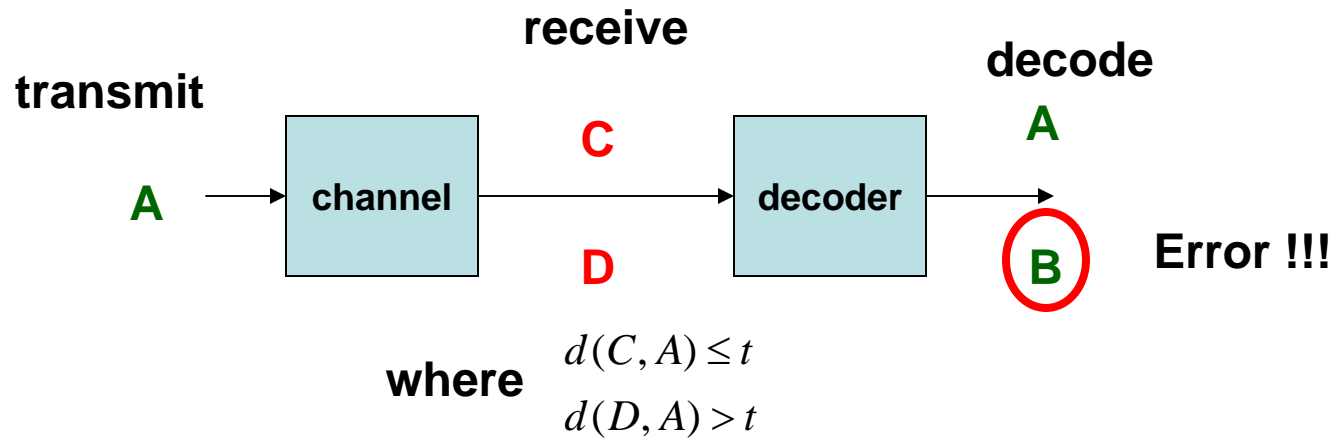
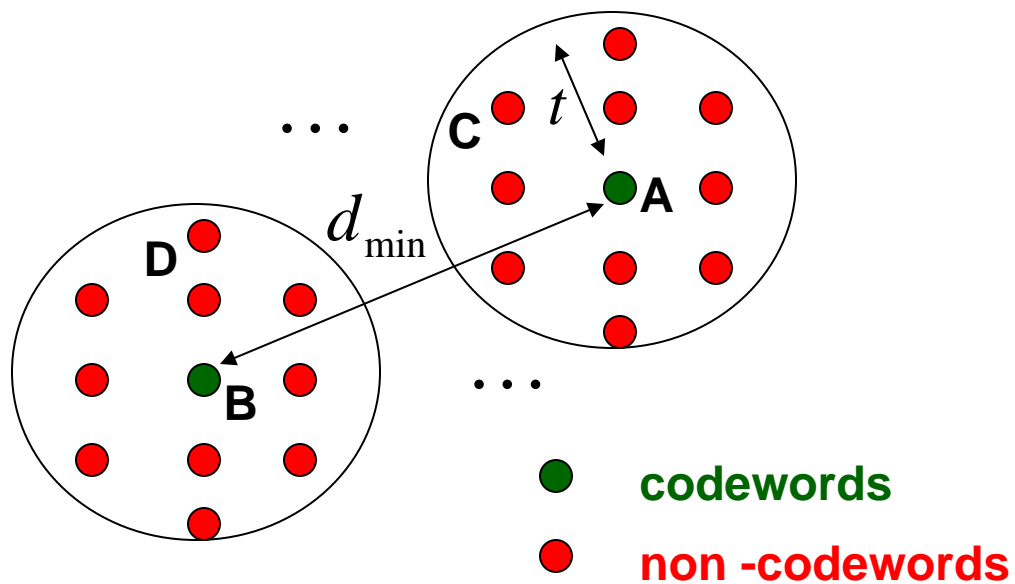
$t \leq \text{floor}\left(\frac{d_{\min} - 1}{2}\right)$

Max. number of errors corrected

where

$d_{\min} \leq n - k + 1$

Minimum distance between codewords





## 2. Probability of Error

If the code corrects up to  $t$  errors, the probability that the wrong codeword is decoded is given by

$$P_e \leq \sum_{j=t+1}^n \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j} \leq (2^k - 1) (4p(1-p))^{d_{\min}/2}$$

“ $j$ ” bits wrong
“ $n-j$ ” bits right

with  $p$  the probability of error for one bit.

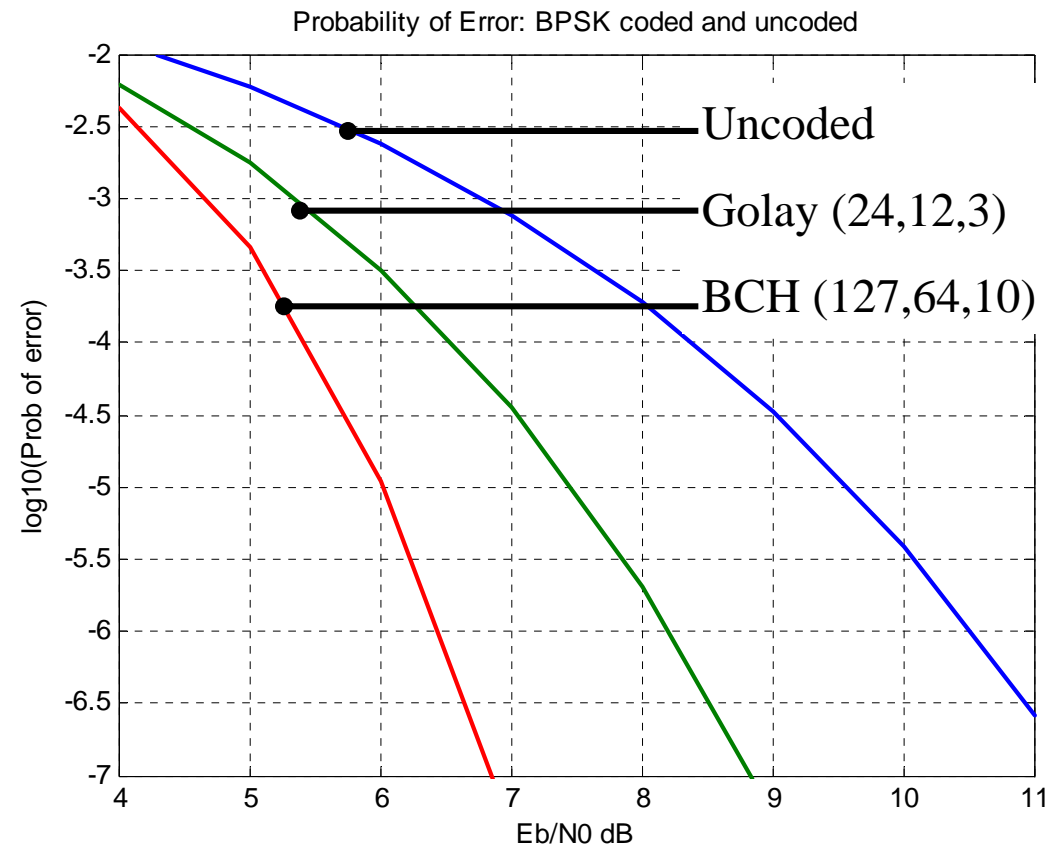
**For BPSK, QPSK:**  $p = Q\left(\sqrt{2E_c / N_0}\right)$      $E_c = \text{Energy of Coded Bit} = \frac{k}{n} E_b$

**Bit Error Probability for HDD**

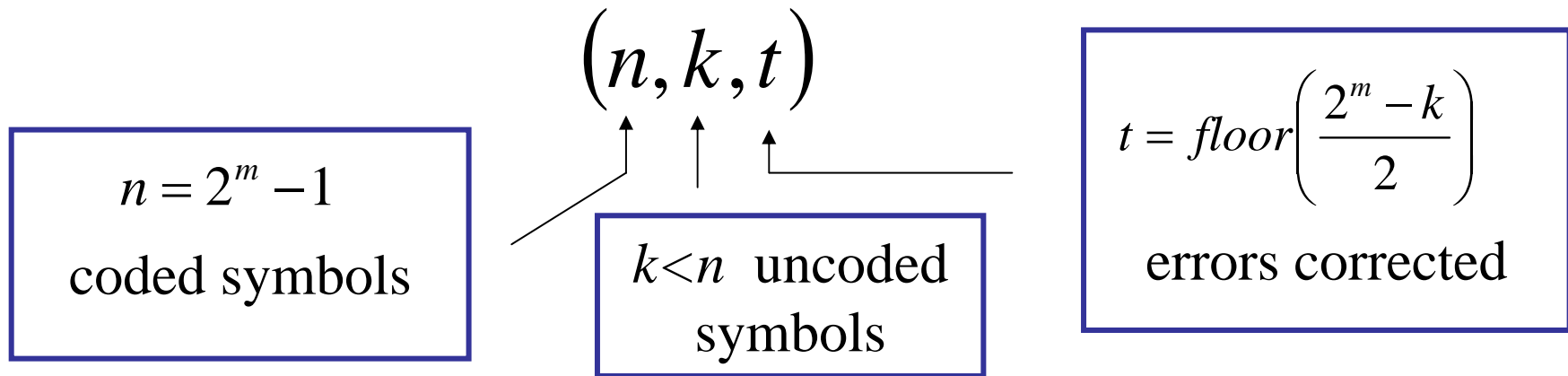
$$P_b \approx \sum_{j=t+1}^n j \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j} \approx \frac{P_e}{k}$$

codeword error  
bits per codeword

## Some Probabilities of Error for BPSK:



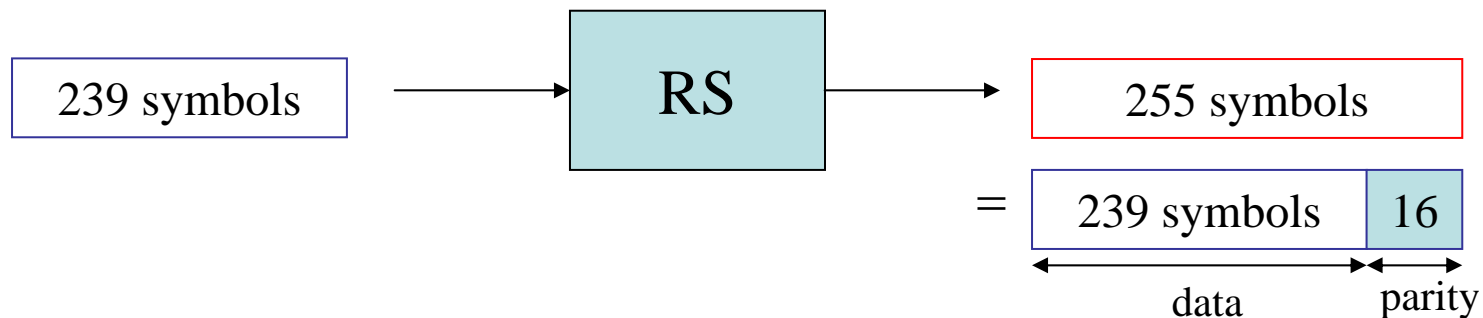
### 3. Reed Solomon Codes (non Binary Data)



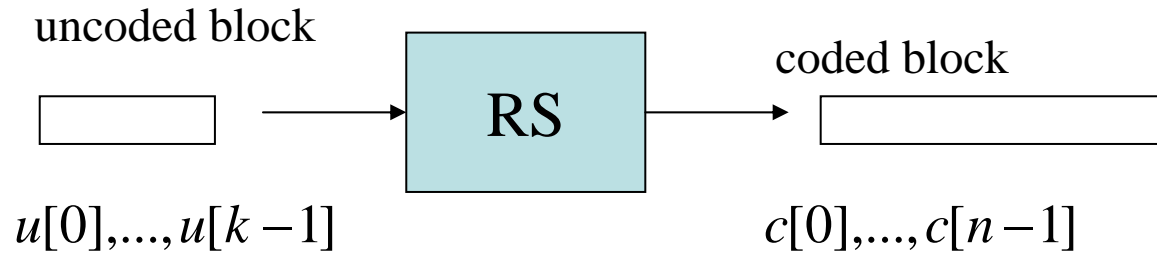
1 symbol =  $m$  bits

Good for Burst Error Correction at relatively high SNR

**Example: (255,239,8)**

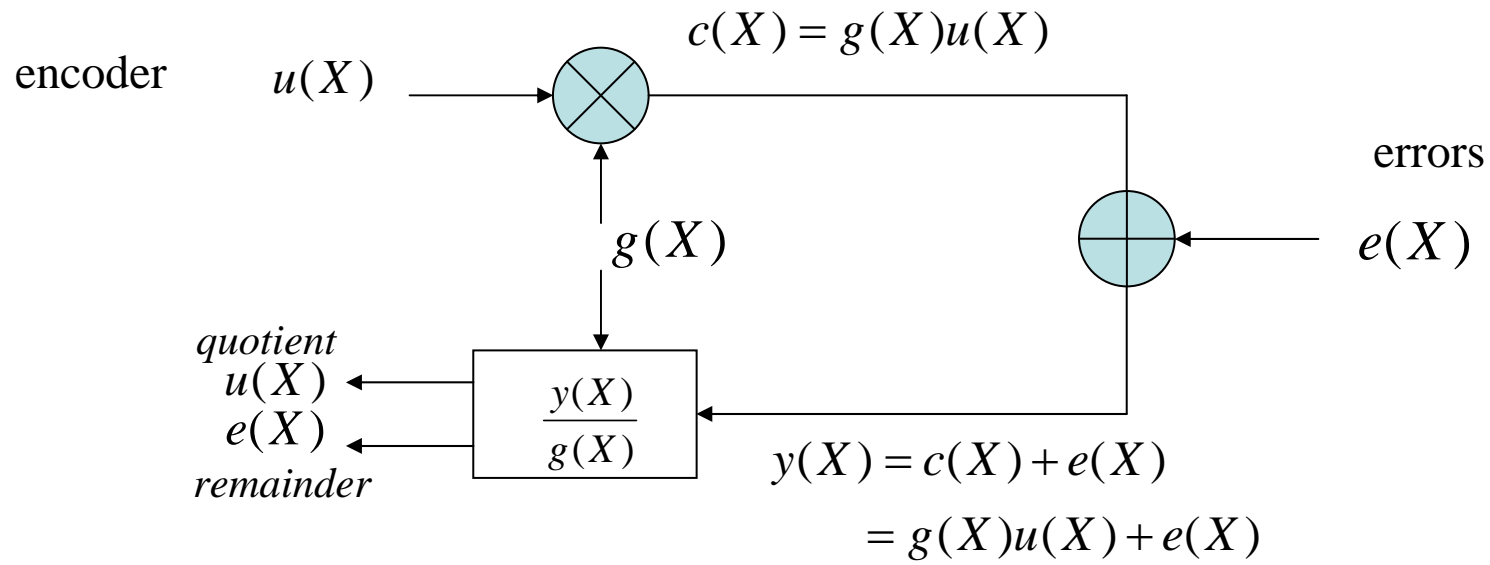


Based on polynomials:



$$u(X) = u[0] + u[1]X + \dots + u[k-1]X^{k-1}$$

$$c(X) = c[0] + c[1]X + \dots + c[n-1]X^{n-1}$$



### 3. Code Shortening and Puncturing

*3.1 Code Shortening*

*3.2 Code Puncturing*

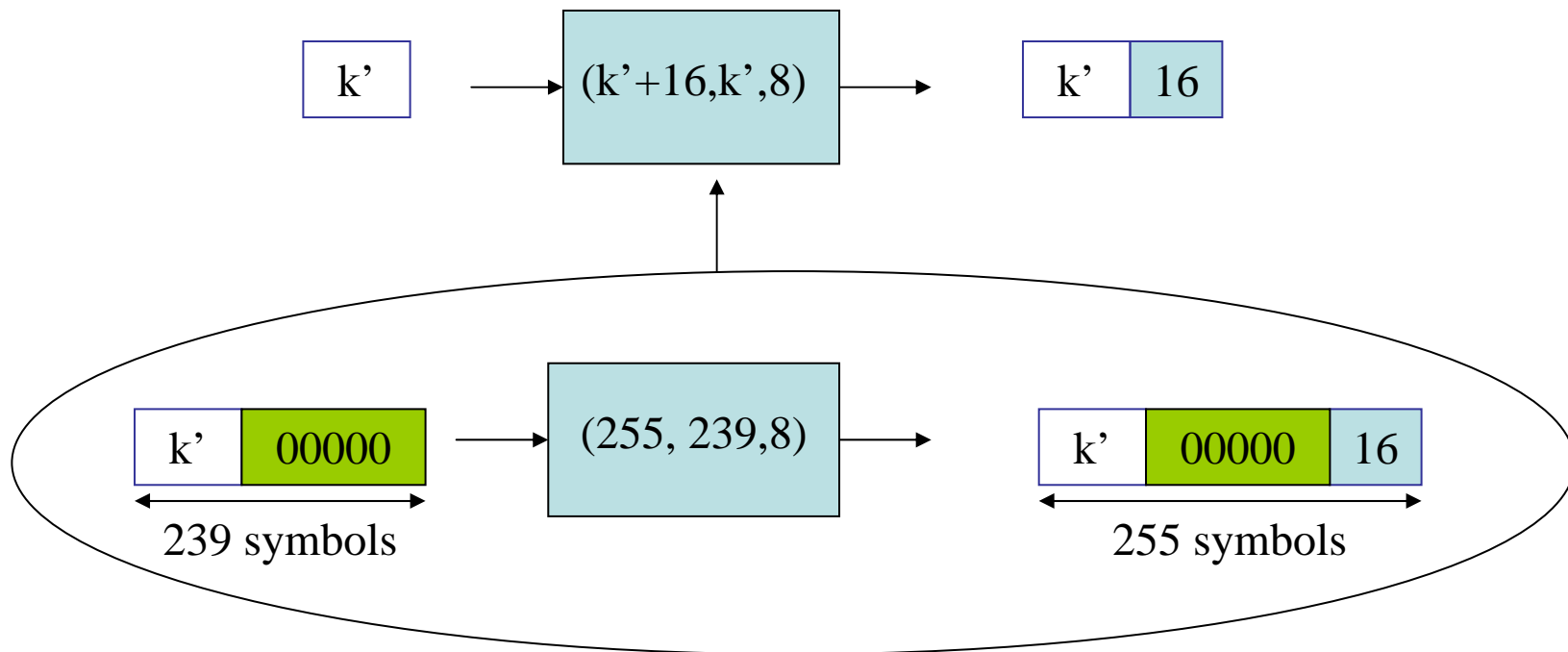
*3.3 RS Coding in IEEE802.16*

# 1. Code Shortening

Start with a block code, say RS ( $n=255$ ,  $k=239$ ,  $t=8$ ).

We can generate a different code by **Shortening**:

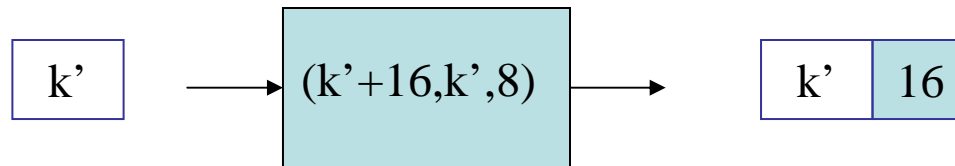
1. Shortened to  $k'$  data bytes by adding  $239-k'$  null symbols
2. At the output eliminate the corresponding  $239-k'$  terms



By shortening Reed Solomon  $(255,239,8)$  we obtain codes

$$(k'+16, k', 8), \quad 0 < k' \leq 239$$

All these codes correct up to 8 errors (bytes).



## 2. Code Puncturing

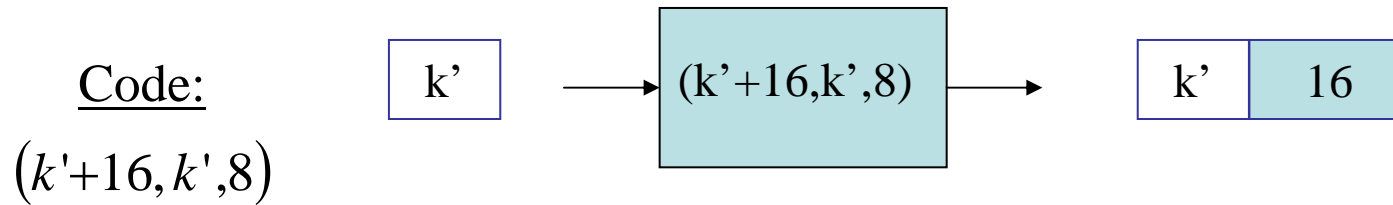
By puncturing we eliminate  $L$  parity bytes to obtain a code correcting  $8-T$  errors. Therefore we determine  $L$  from

$$\frac{\overbrace{(N-k)}^{\text{parity bytes}}}{2} = 8 - T \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{16 - L}{2} = 8 - T \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = 2T$$

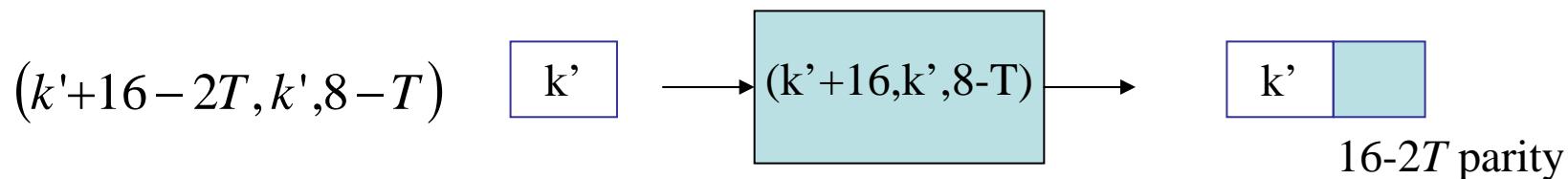


## Puncturing Reed Solomon Codes $(k'+16, k', 8)$ , $0 < k' \leq 239$

1. The last 16 bytes are parity bytes



2. For a  $(k'+16-2T, k', 8-T)$  code, correcting  $8-T$  errors, just eliminate the first  $2T$  bytes of the parity check.



RS codes used in IEEE802.16:  $(k'+16-2T, k', 8-T)$

$(32, 24, 4) \longleftarrow k'=24, T=4$

$(40, 36, 2) \longleftarrow k'=36, T=6$

$(64, 48, 8) \longleftarrow k'=48, T=0$

$(80, 72, 4) \longleftarrow k'=72, T=4$

$(108, 96, 6) \longleftarrow k'=96, T=2$

$(120, 108, 6) \longleftarrow k'=108, T=2$

## **4. Simulink Implementation of Block Codes**

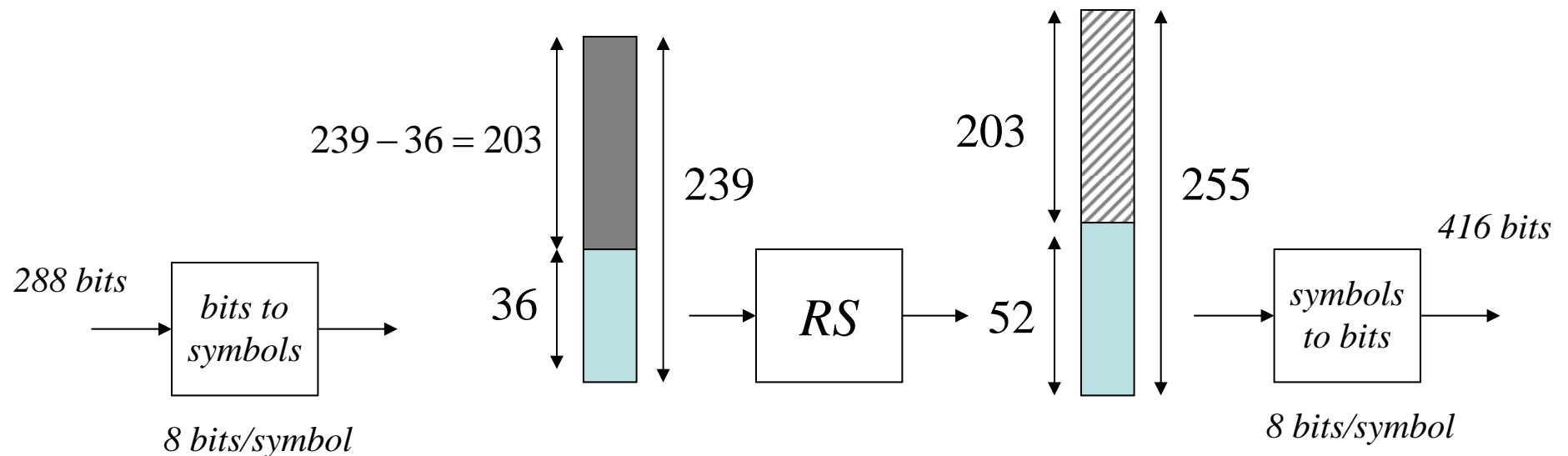
*4.1 Shortened Codes*

*4.2 Punctured Codes*

# Simulink Implementation of Shortened RS Codes

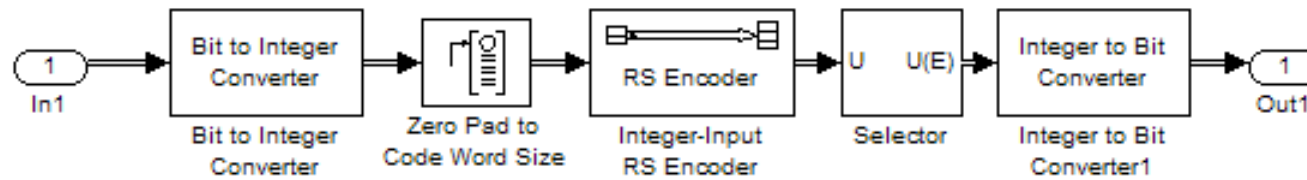
Let's implement the code (52,36,8) by shortening

1. Shortened to  $k'=36$  data *bytes* ( $=36 \times 8 = 288$  bits) by adding  $239 - k'$  null symbols at the beginning of the block
2. At the output eliminate the first  $239 - k'$  terms



# RS Encoder

Raw data  
288 bits



Encoded data  
416 bits

Parameters

Number of bits per integer: 8

Output data type: double

Parameters

Pad signal at: Beginning

Pad along: Columns

Number of output rows: User-specified

Specified number of output rows: 239

Action when truncation occurs: None

Parameters

Codeword length N: 255

Message length K: 239

Parameters

Number of bits per integer: 8

Output data type: Same as input

Parameters

Input type: Vector

Index mode: One-based

Source of element indices (E): Internal

Elements (-1 for all elements): 204:255

Input port width: 255

☐ Use index as starting value

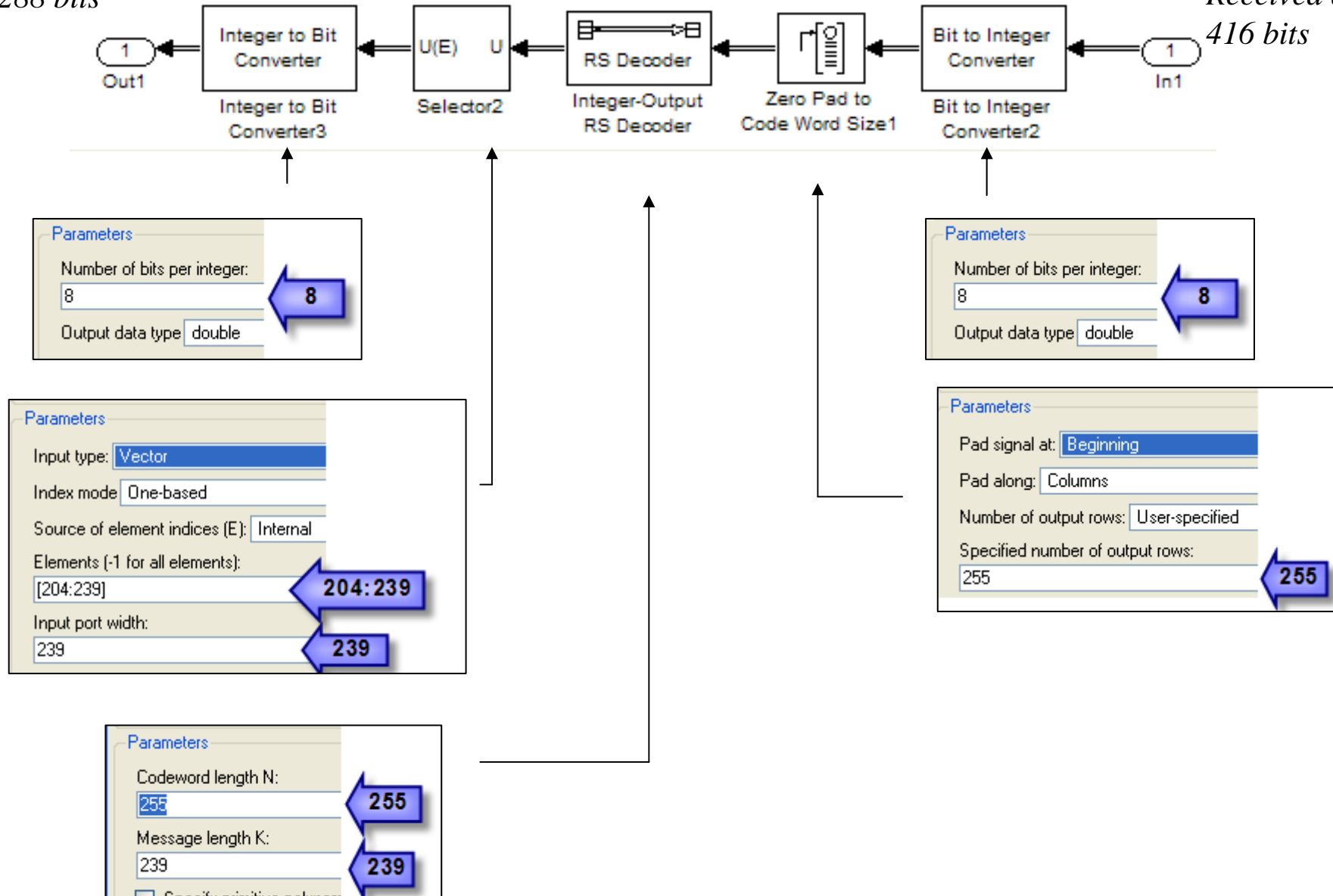
# RS Decoder

Raw data

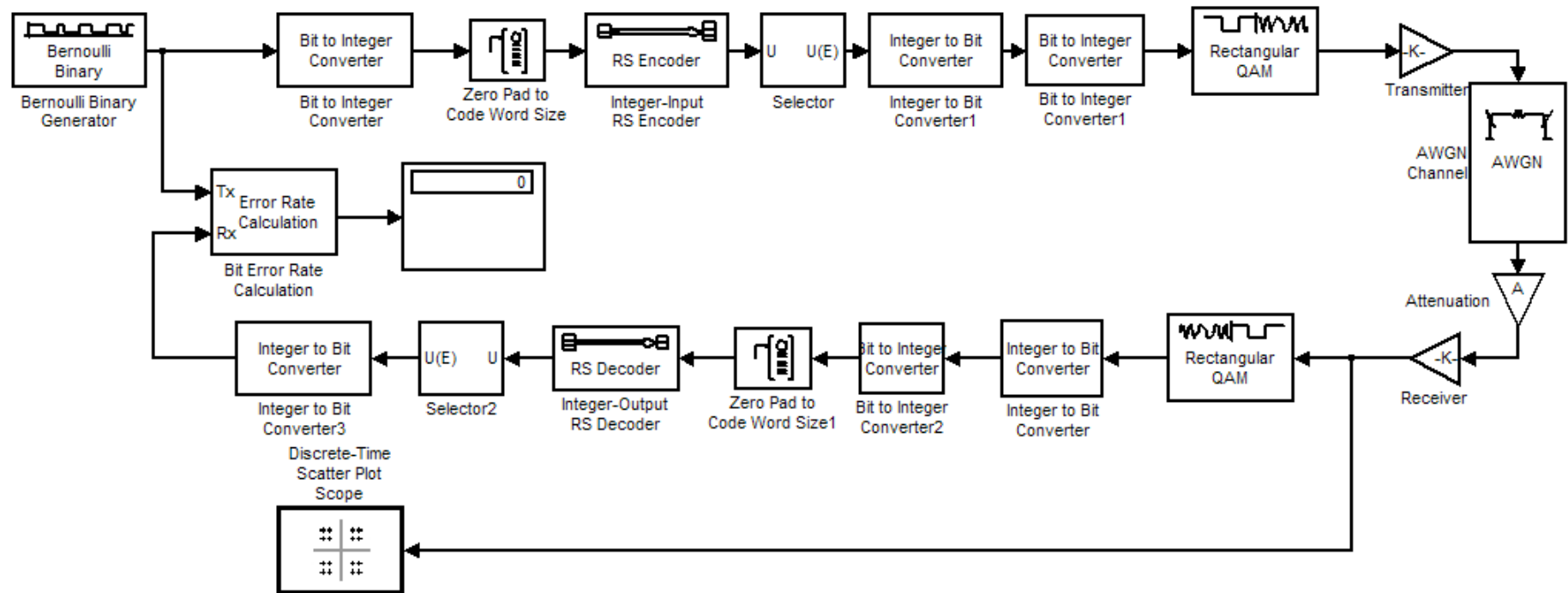
288 bits

Received data

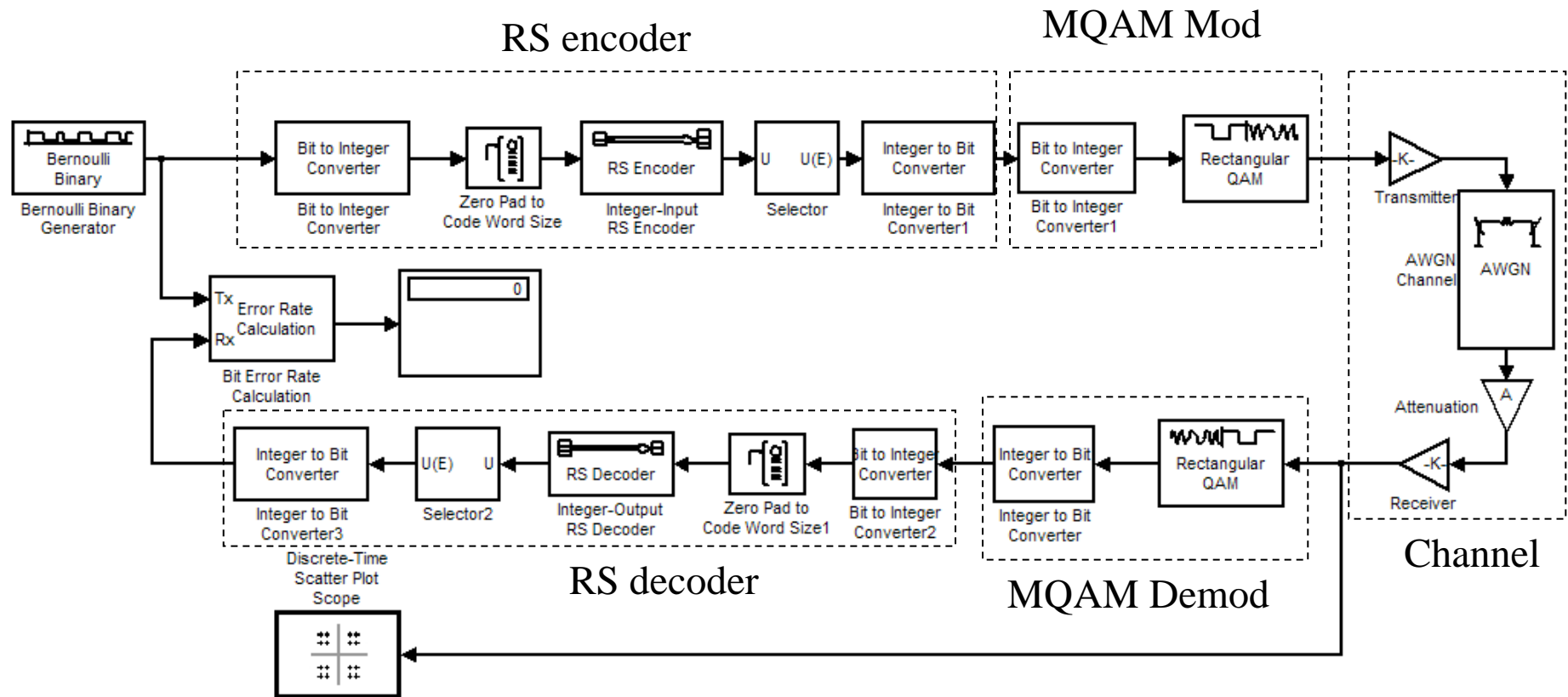
416 bits



Put Everything together:



It is easier to create subsystems:

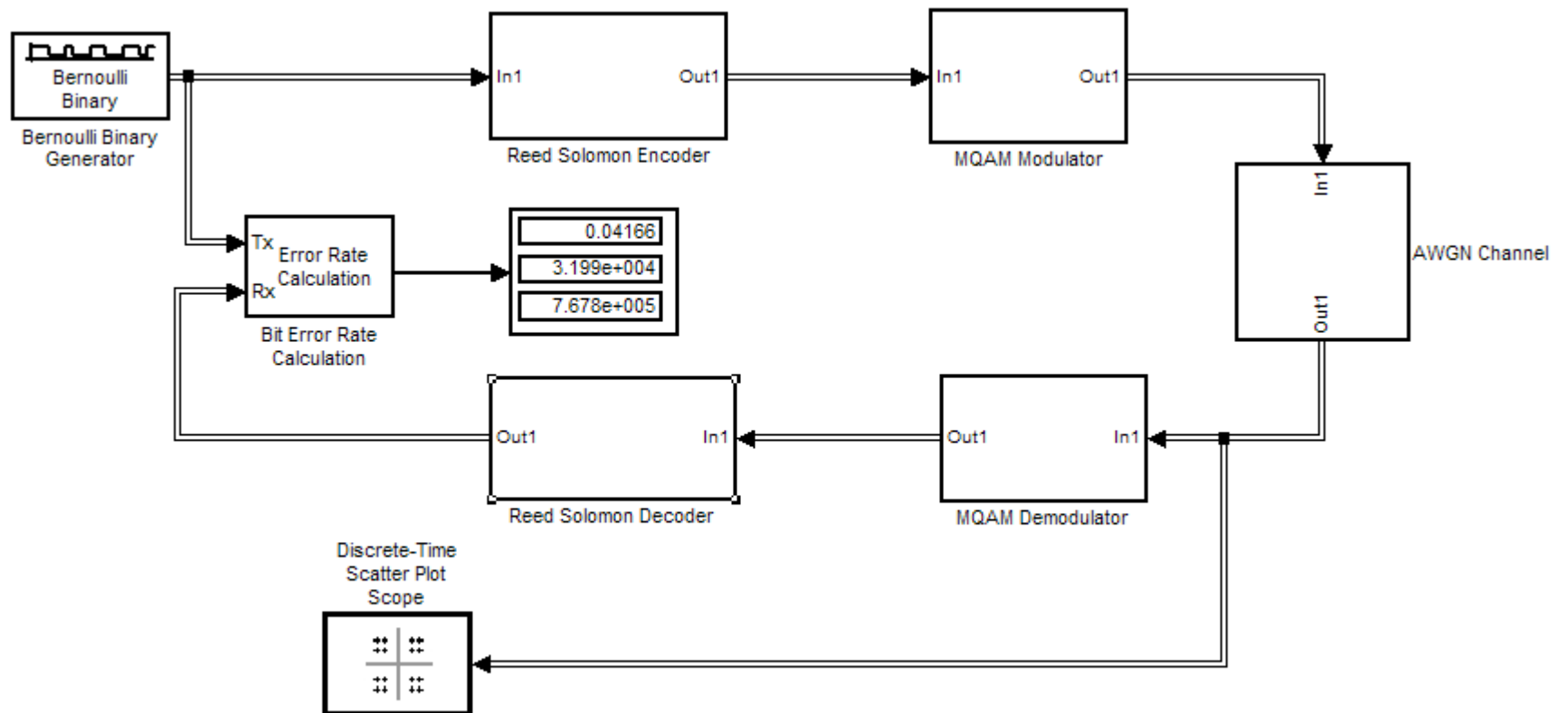


Select each group of blocks and use

Edit > Create Subsystem

It cannot be undone!

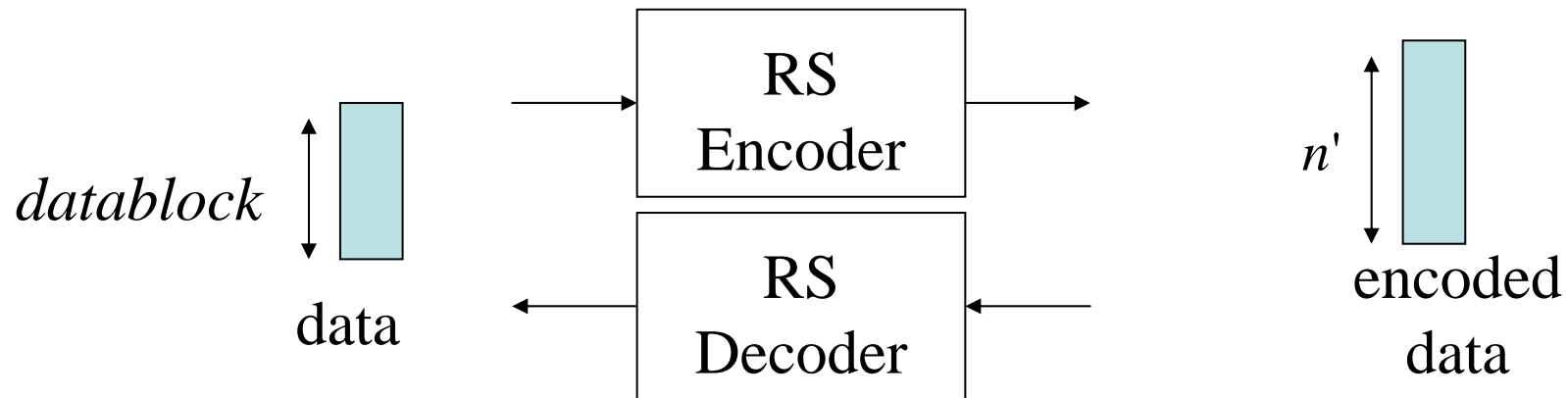




## Masked Subsystems

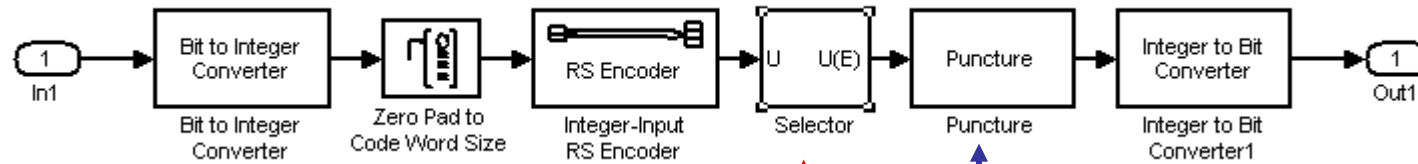
In Simulink we can create customized blocks, where we can enter parameters values.

Example: Reed Solomon Encoder and Decoder



# RS Encoder:

1. edit



Parameters

Input type: Vector

Index mode: One-based

Source of element indices (E): Internal

Elements (-1 for all elements): [239-k+1:255]

Input port width: 255

[239-k+1:255]

Parameters

Puncture vector: prs

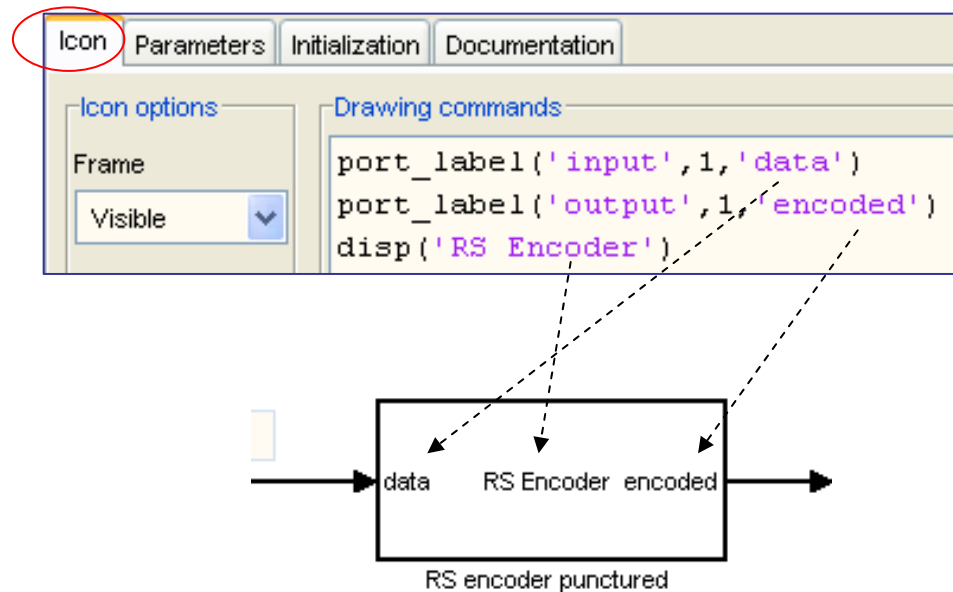
2. right click on subsystem and select *Mask Subsystem*

3. Edit Mask:

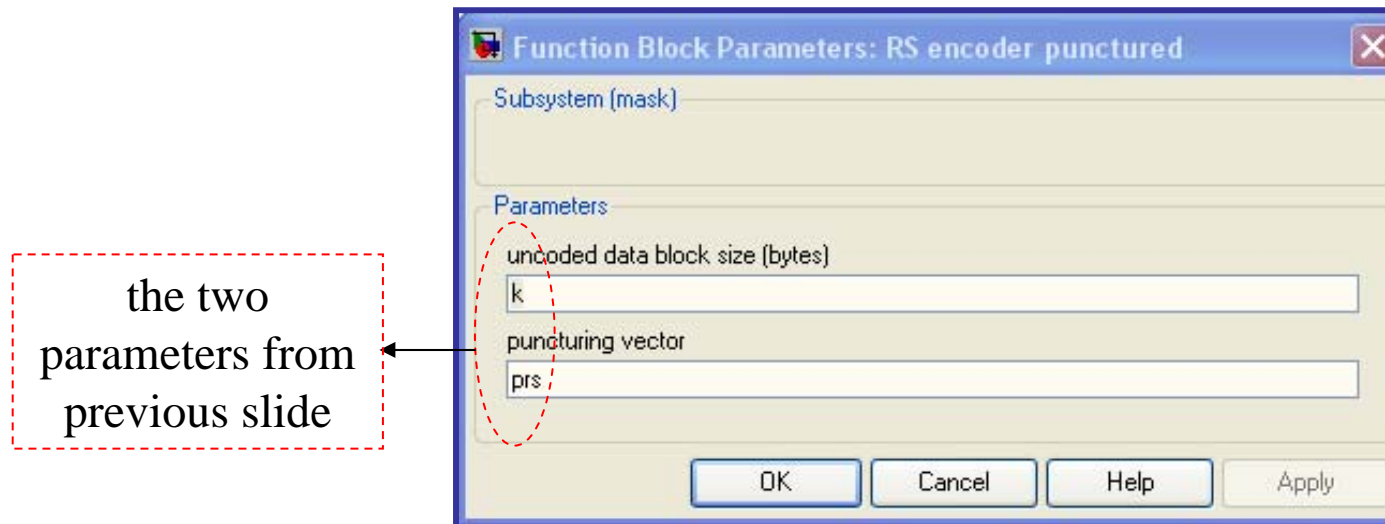
add parameters

Dialog parameters					
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uncoded data block size (bytes)	k	edit	✓	✓	
puncturing vector	prs	edit	✓	✓	

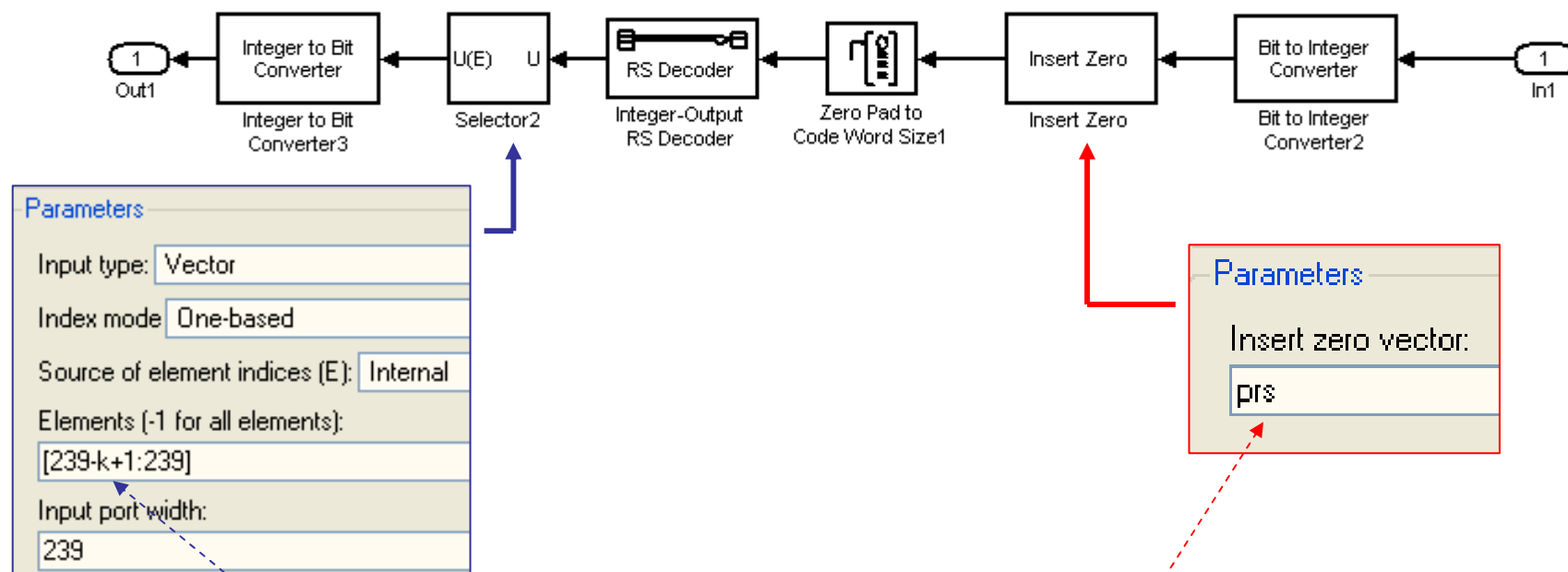
You can customize the icon



When you “click” on the icon, you get the following:

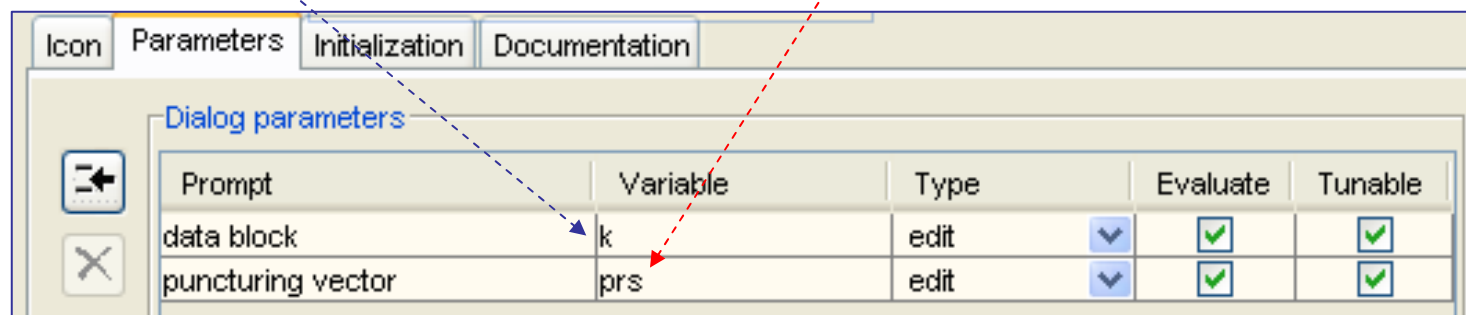


## RS Decoder:



2. right click on subsystem and select *Mask Subsystem*

3. Edit Mask:

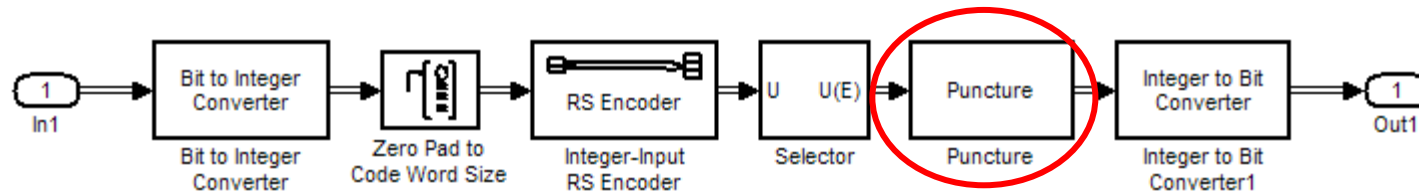


## **Simulink Implementation** of (40,36,2).

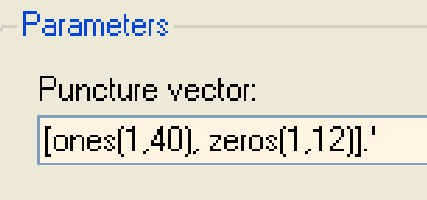
1. Start with the previous code (52,36,8);
2. Puncture it by eliminating  $2T=12$  (ie  $T=6$ ) bytes in the parity

## RS (40,36,2) encoder

Sequence Operations>Puncture



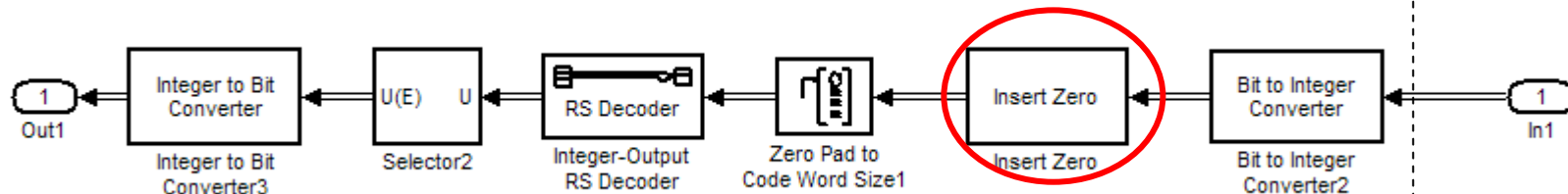
*Eliminate last 12 bytes*



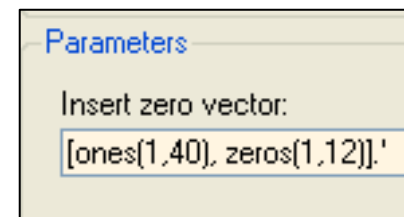
same vector

## RS (40,36,2) decoder

Sequence Operations>Insert Zero



*Insert 12 zeros*

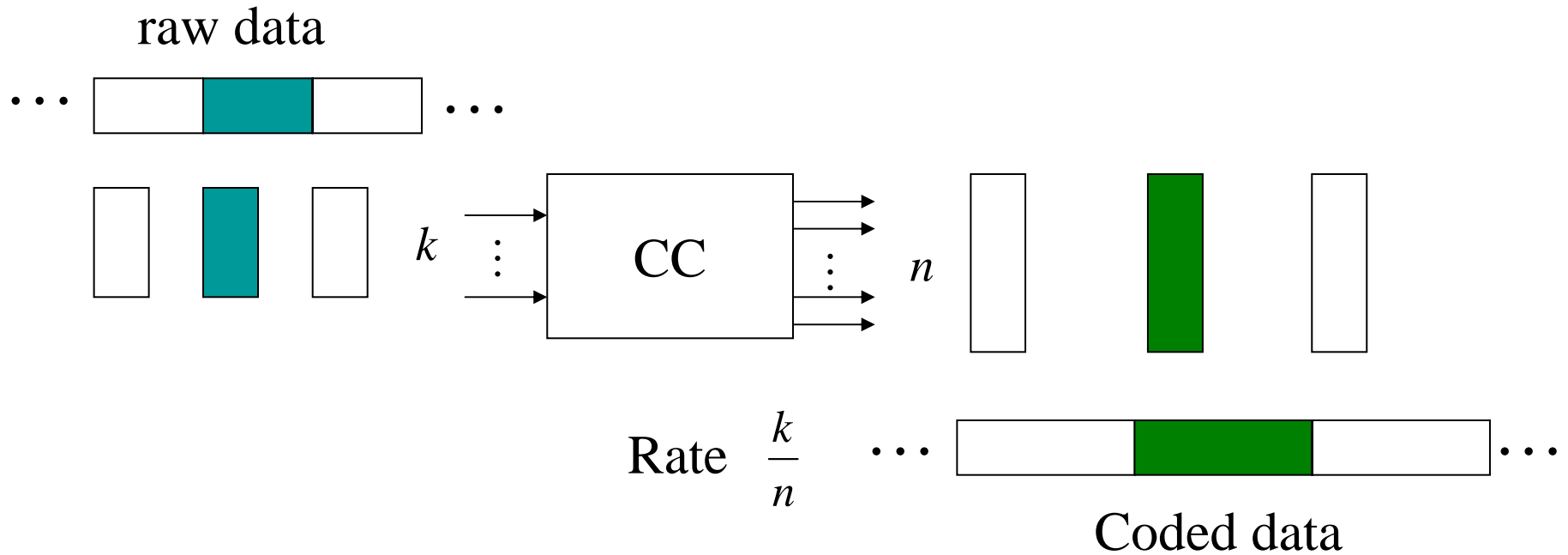


# Convolutional Encoders

- 1. Definition of Convolutional Encoders*
- 2. Puncturing*
- 3. Simulink Implementation*

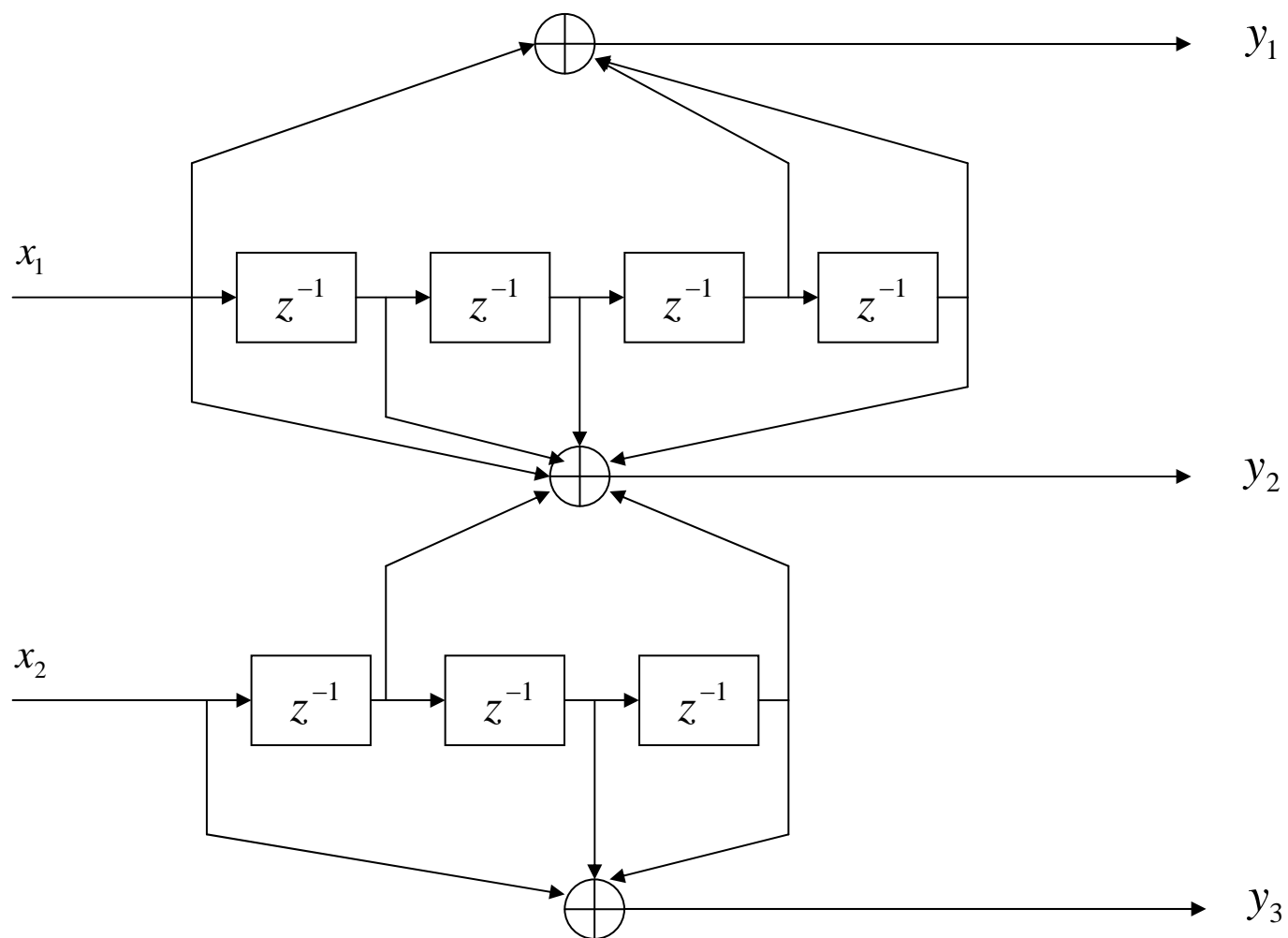


# Convolutional Encoders

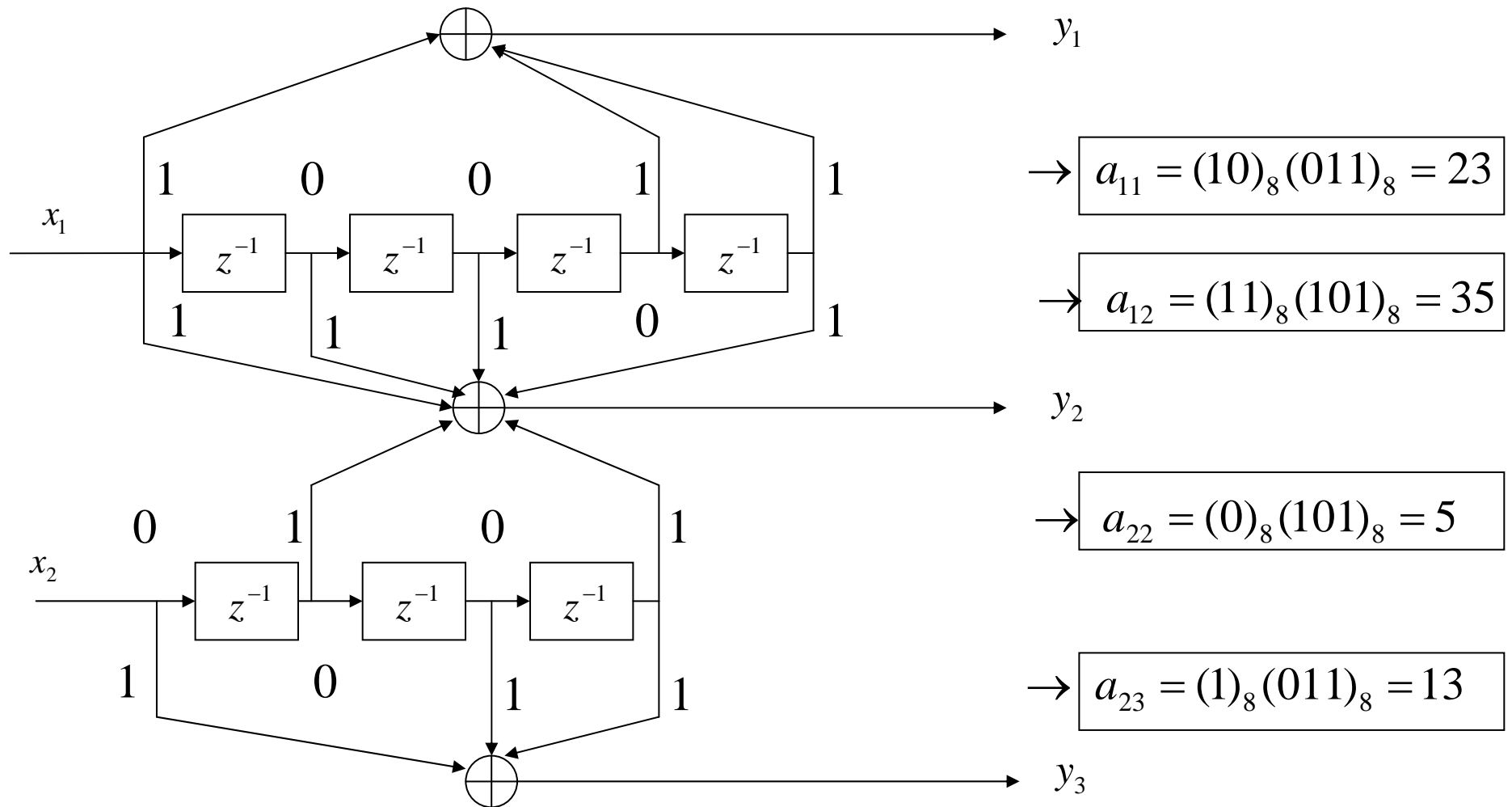


It continuously updates  $k$  data symbols into  $n > k$  coded symbols.

## Example: a 2/3 encoder



Polynomial description: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

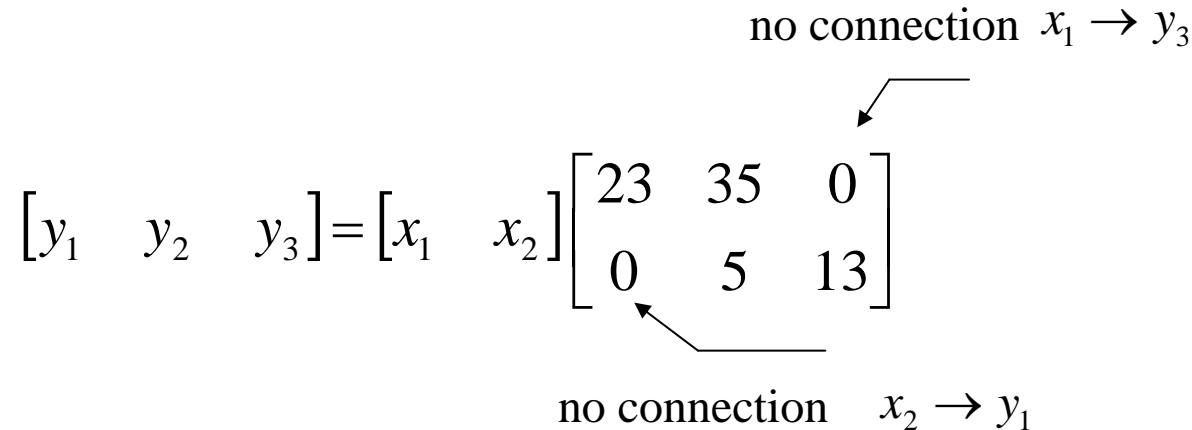


Therefore the code is described by the matrix (all entries are octal)

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 23 & 35 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

no connection  $x_1 \rightarrow y_3$

no connection  $x_2 \rightarrow y_1$



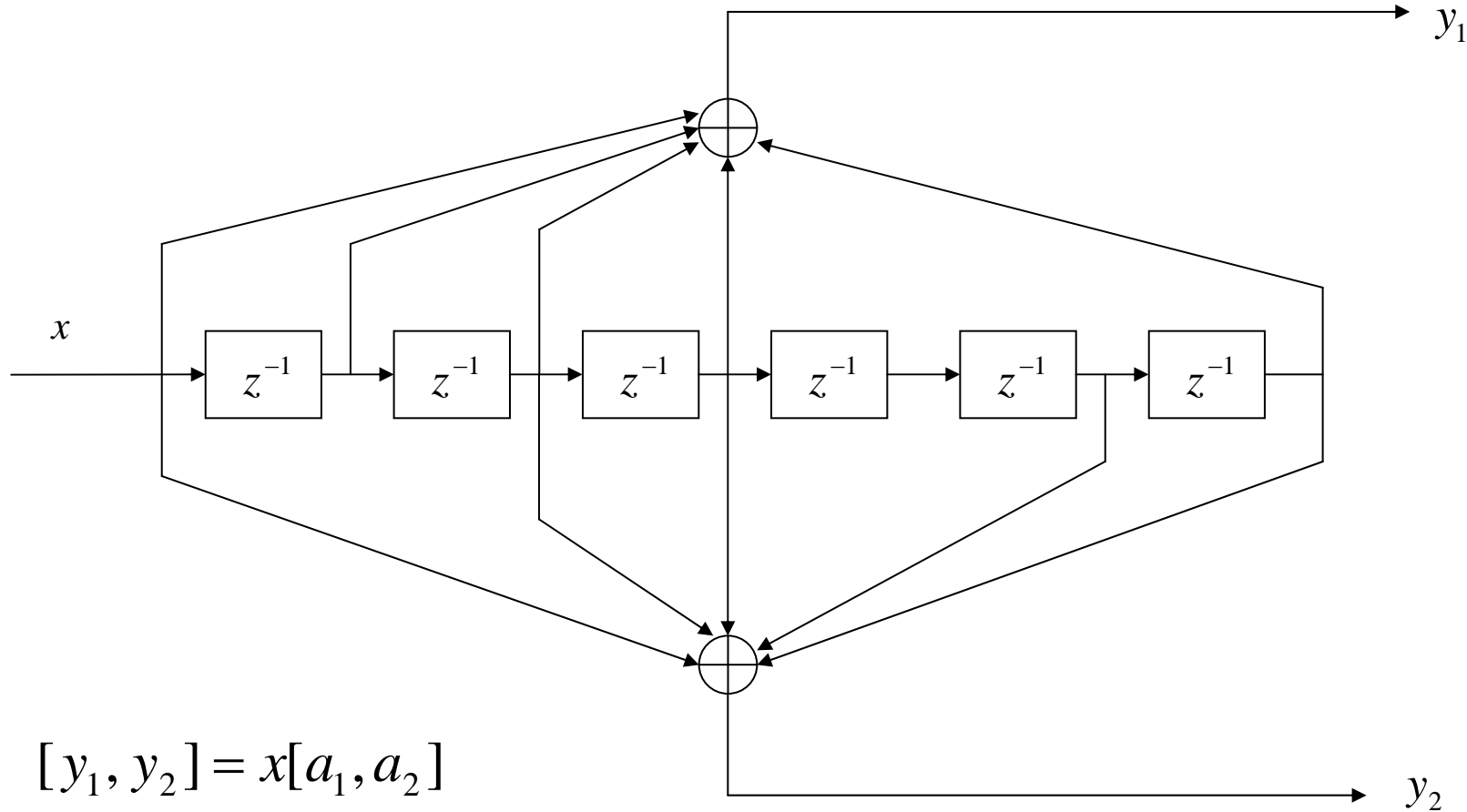
The parameters are then:

CONSTRAINED\_LENGTH = [4,3]

CODEGENERATOR=[23,35,0; 0,5,13]

which call the function “poly2trellis”

In IEEE802.16e the Convolutinal Code has rate  $\frac{1}{2}$  and constrained length 7:



$$[y_1, y_2] = x[a_1, a_2]$$

$$a_1 = (1)_8(111)_8(001)_8 = 171$$

$$a_2 = (1)_8(011)_8(011)_8 = 133$$

constrained length = 7

Note: in some books (as in [Costello]) the binary coefficients are determined in reverse order.

Example: the code in the previous page is defined by the polynomials (begin counting from the right) as

$$g_1 = (1)_8 (001)_8 (111)_8 = 117$$

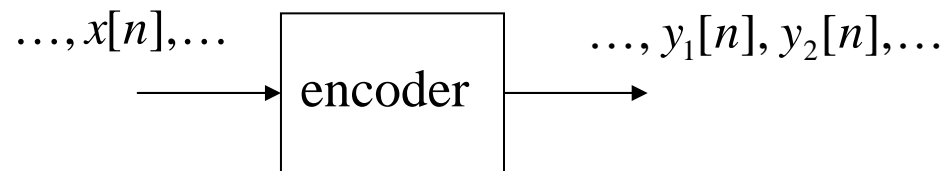
$$g_2 = (1)_8 (011)_8 (011)_8 = 155$$

## Punctured Codes

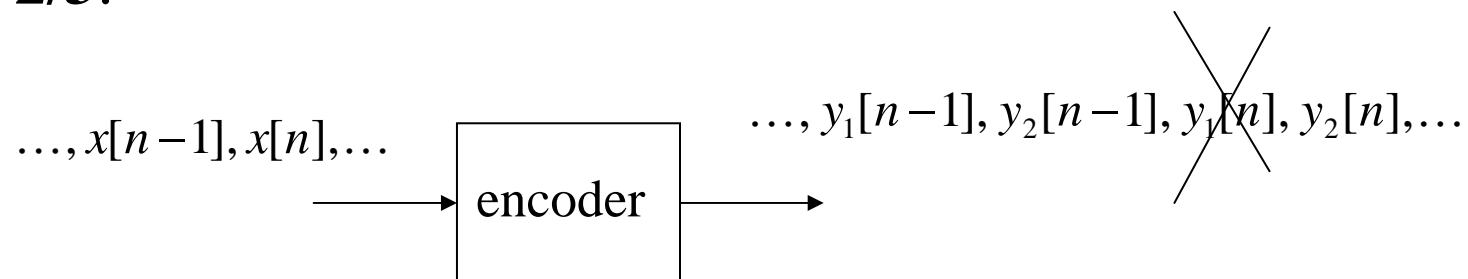
From an  $(k,n)$  convolutional code make a code with higher rate (less correcting capabilities), by periodically eliminating output bits.

Example in IEEE 802.16e:

The code  $[171,133]$  seen before is a  $(1,2)$  code:



**Rate 2/3:**



We can represent it as a matrix with 2 rows:

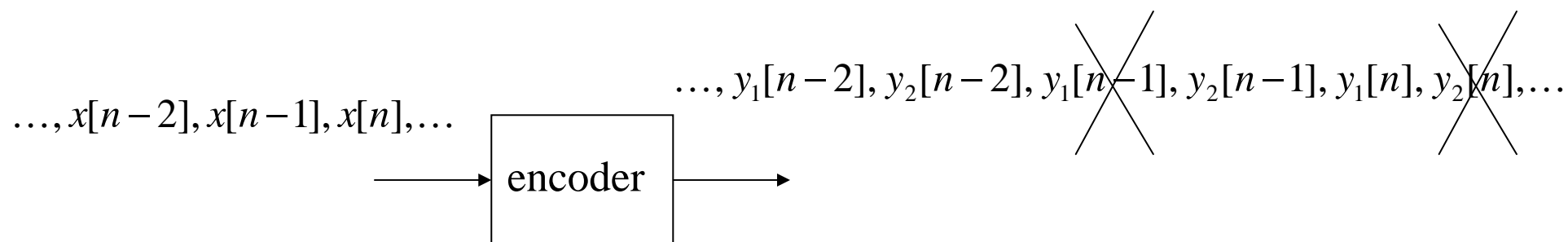
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & \boxed{1} & & & \boxed{0} & & \\ \dots, & y_1[n-1], & y_2[n-1], & y_1[n], & y_2[n], & \dots & \\ & & \boxed{1} & & \boxed{1} & & \end{array}$$



## Rate 3/4:



We can represent it as a matrix with 2 rows:

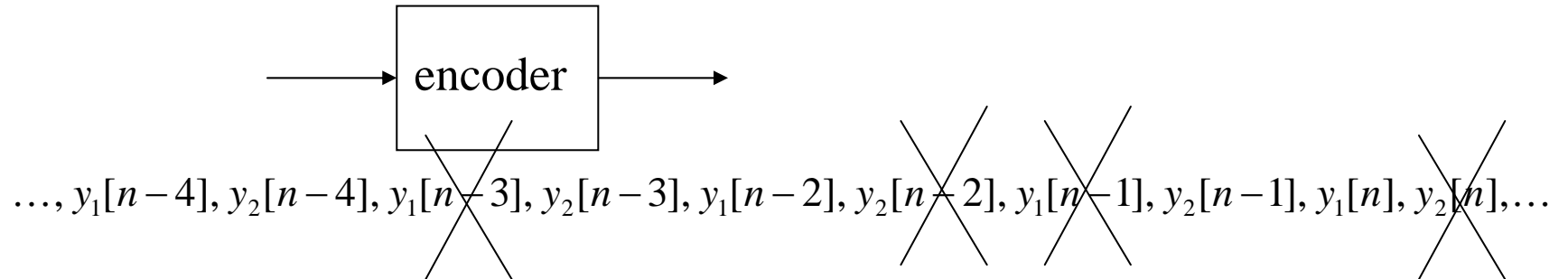
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & \boxed{1} & & \boxed{0} & & \boxed{1} & \\ \dots, y_1[n-2], y_2[n-2], y_1[n-1], y_2[n-1], y_1[n], y_2[n], \dots & & & & & & \\ & & \boxed{1} & & \boxed{1} & & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

## Rate 5/6:

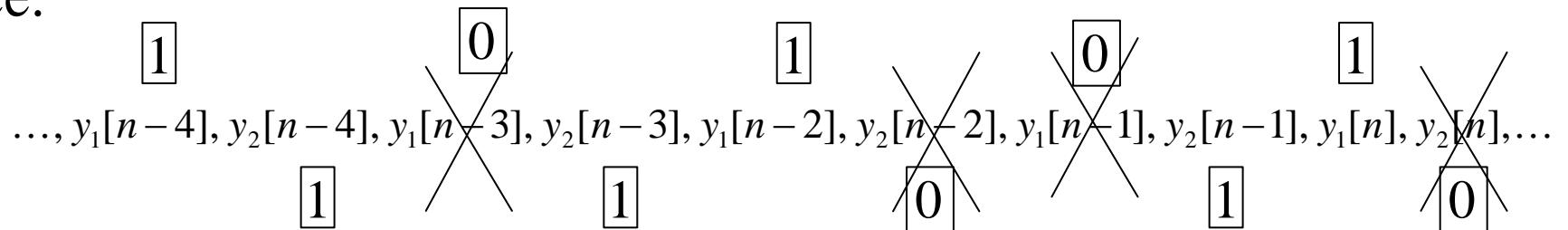
$\dots, x[n-4], x[n-3], x[n-2], x[n-1], x[n], \dots$



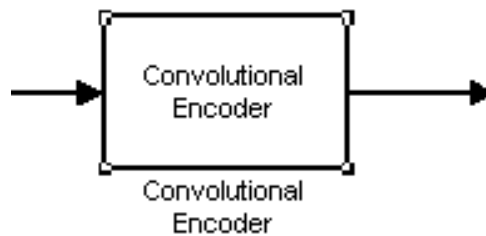
We can represent it as a matrix with 2 rows:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

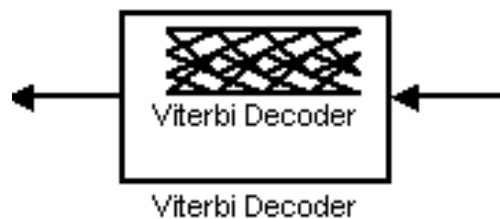
Since:



# Simulink Implementation



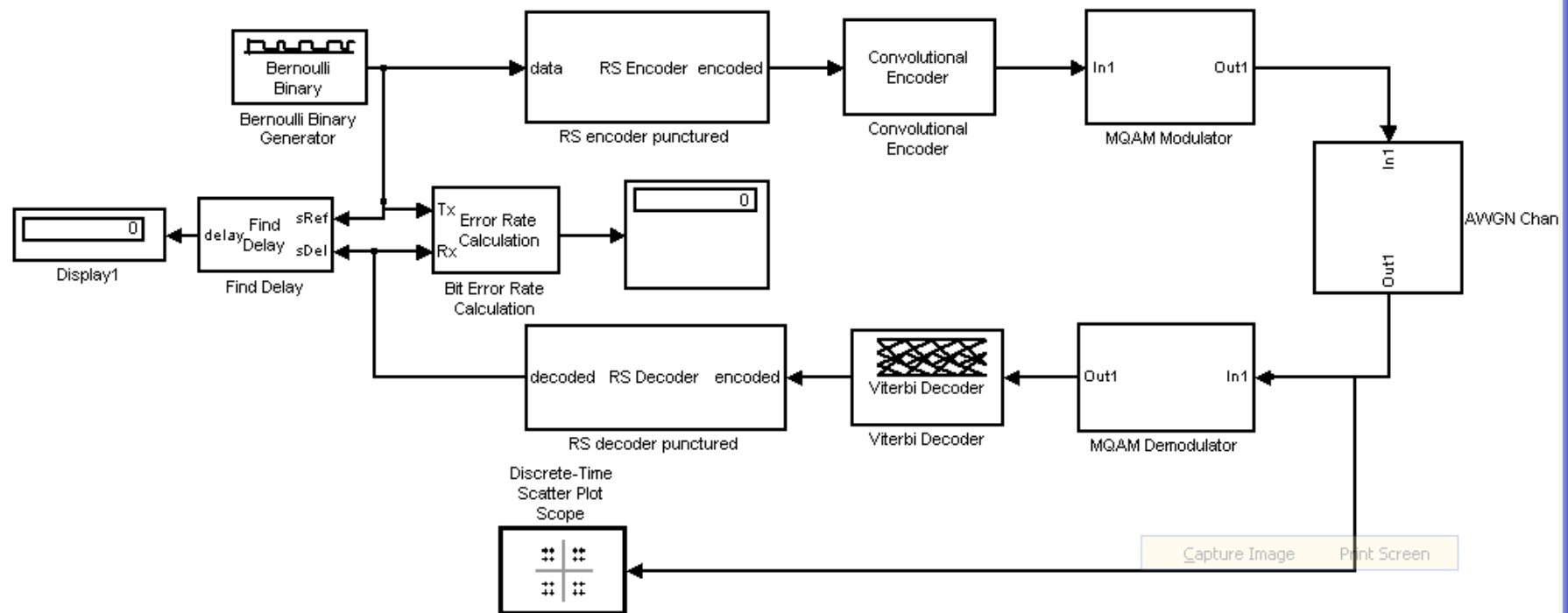
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Operation mode:	Truncated (reset every frame)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Puncture code	
Puncture vector:	<code>pcc</code>



Parameters	
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Puncture vector:	<code>pcc</code>
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Operation mode:	Truncated
Output data type:	double

# Implementation of Concatenated Codes using Simulink

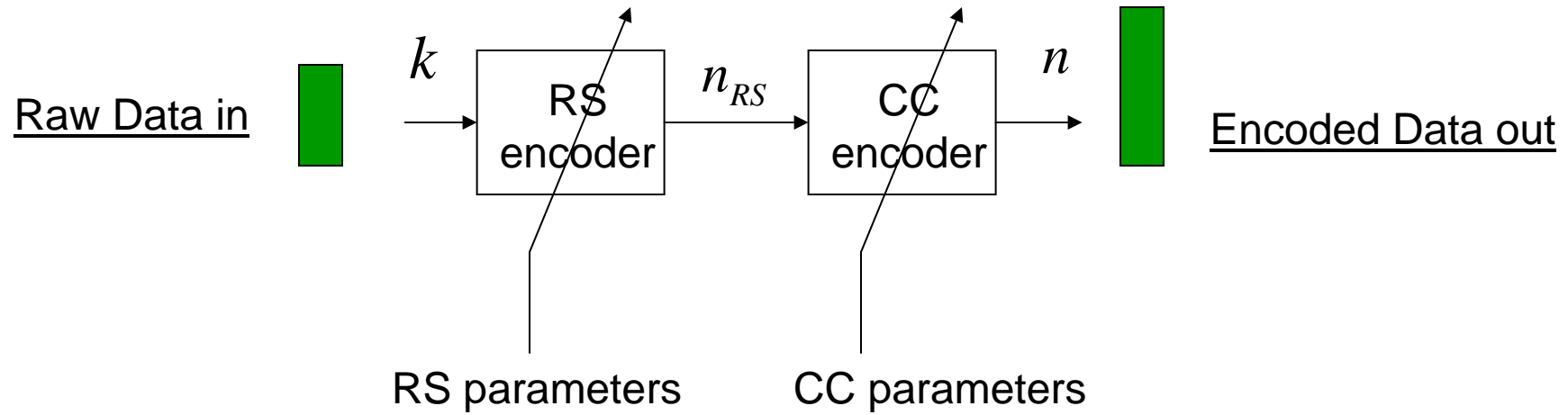
AWGN\_RSCC\_masked.mdl



# Variable DataRates with Concatenated Codes in IEEE802.16

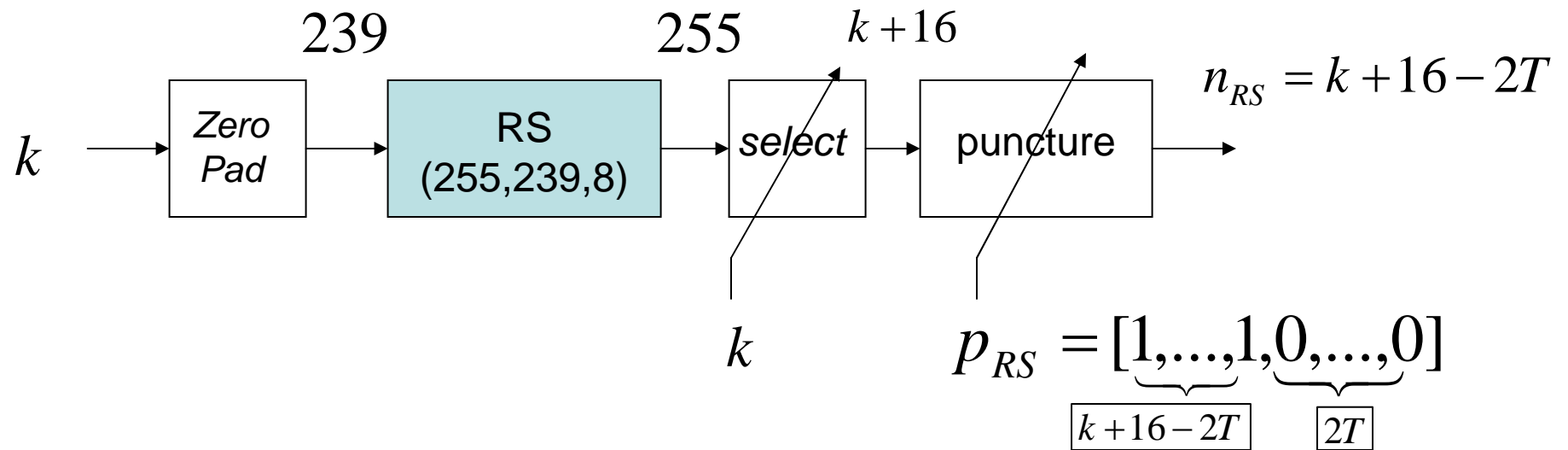
- It is highly desirable to be able to set the system to a number of different data and coding rates to adapt to channel conditions;
- IEEE802.16 achieves variable data rates by a combination of mechanisms:
  - coding (shortening, puncturing)
  - data block length (subchannelization)
- different rates have to be easily achieved by changing appropriate parameters without major reconfigurations.

Recall from previous units:

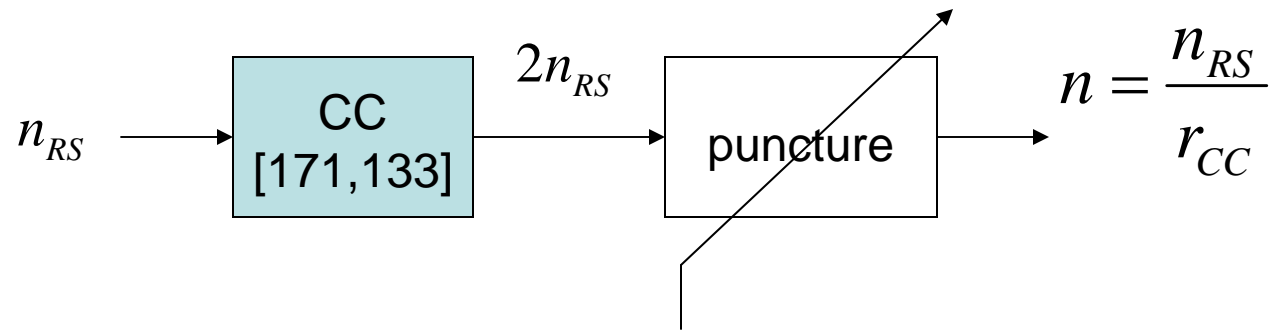


- encoder/decoder
- reduction
- puncturing

# RS Encoder $(k + 16 - 2T, k, 8 - T)$



## Convolutional Encoder with coding rate $r_{CC}$



$$r_{CC} = 1/2, \quad P = [1,1]$$

$$r_{CC} = 2/3, \quad P = [1,1,0,1]$$

$$r_{CC} = 3/4, \quad P = [1,1,0,1,1,0]$$

$$r_{CC} = 5/6, \quad P = [1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0]$$



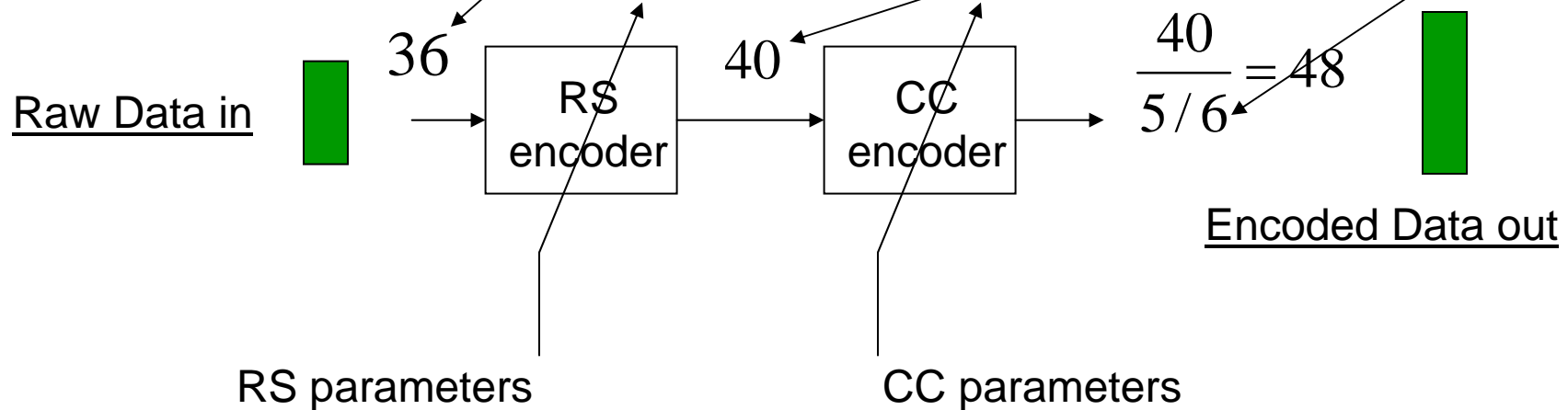
By combining the two codes we obtain a number of data rates (section 8.3.3.2 of the standard):

Rate ID	M-QAM	Data block $k$ (bytes)	Coded block $n$ (bytes)	Coding rate $k/n$	RS Code	CC coding rate
0	2	12	24	1/2	(12,12,0)	1/2
1	4	24	48	1/2	(32,24,4)	2/3
2	4	36	48	3/4	(40,36,2)	5/6
3	16	48	96	1/2	(64,48,8)	2/3
4	16	72	96	3/4	(80,72,4)	5/6
5	64	96	144	2/3	(108,96,6)	3/4
6	64	108	144	3/4	(120,108,6)	5/6

Example:

take Rate\_ID=2

Rate ID	M-QAM	Data block $k$ (bytes)	Coded block $n$ (bytes)	Coding rate $k/n$	RS Code	CC coding rate
2	4	36	48	3/4	(40,36,2)	5/6



$$k = 36$$

$$p_{RS} = [\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{36+16-2 \times 6 = 40}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{2 \times 6 = 12}]$$

$$p_{CC} = [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0]$$

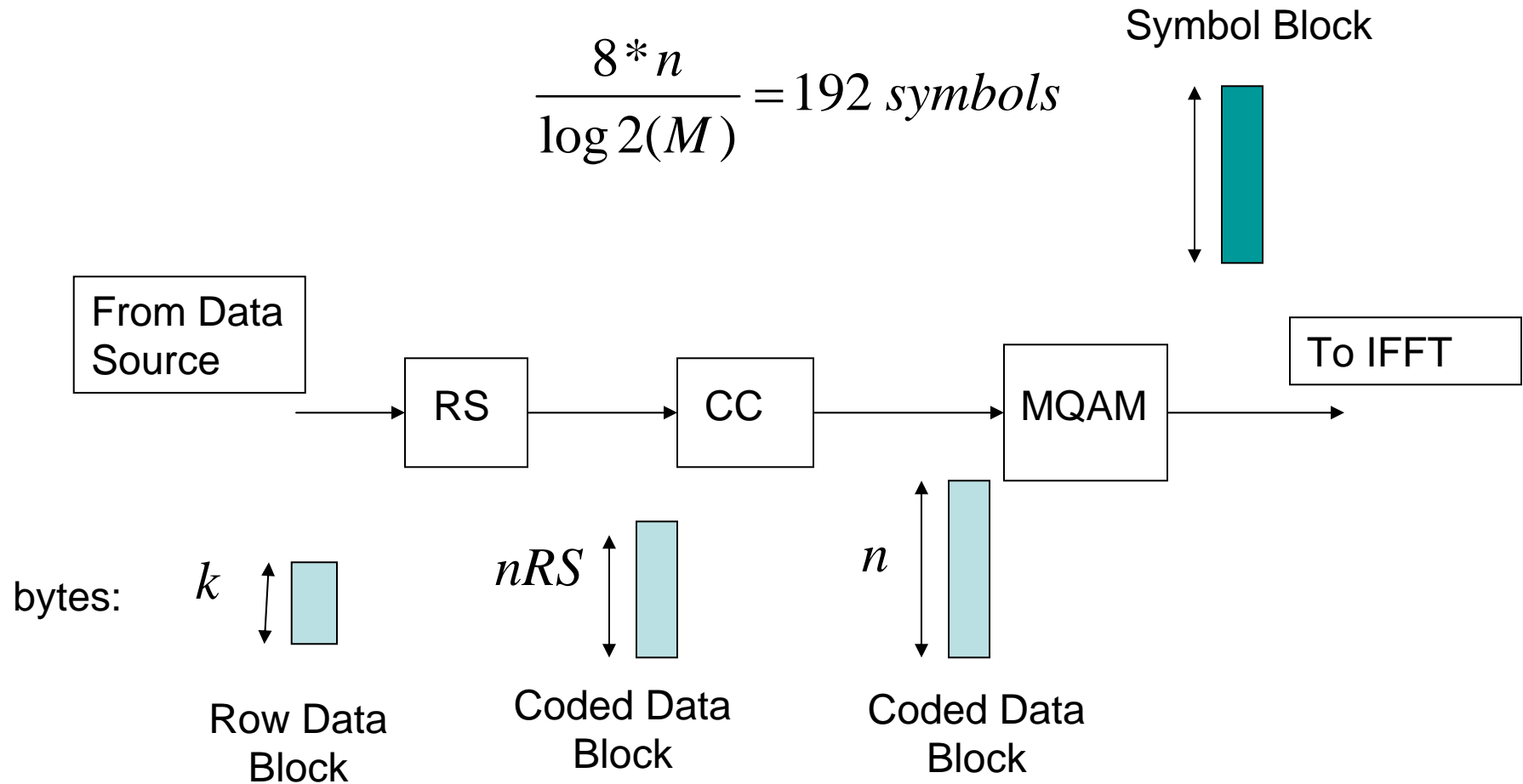
This yields a table of parameters for each “Rate\_ID”:

Rate ID	M-QAM	Data block $k$ (bytes)	$p_{RS}$	$p_{CC}$	Coded block $n$ (bytes)	CC coding rate
0	2	12	No RS	[1,1]	24	1/2
1	4	24	[ones(1,32),zeros(1,8)]	[1,1,0,1]	48	2/3
2	4	36	[ones(1,40),zeros(1,12)]	[1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0]	48	5/6
3	16	48	1	[1,1,0,1]	96	2/3
4	16	72	[ones(1,80),zeros(1,8)]	[1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0]	96	5/6
5	64	96	[ones(1,108),zeros(1,4)]	[1,1,0,1,1,0]	144	3/4
6	64	108	[ones(1,120),zeros(1,4)]	[1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0]	144	5/6

All parameters can be  
computed from the  
matlab program  
**coding.m**

```
function [M, k, prs, pcc]=coding(rate_ID);  
% [M, k, prs, pcc]=coding(rate_ID)  
% M= MQAM modulation  
% k=input block size (bytes)  
% prs=puncturing vector for RS encoder  
% pcc=puncturing vector for CC encoder  
% rate_ID=index to coding scheme 0-6 as in the standard  
  
% Build structure:  
% MQAM Modulation  
coding_parameters(1).MQAM=2;  
...  
coding_parameters(7).MQAM=64;  
  
% Input block size (in bytes)  
coding_parameters(1).k=12;  
...  
coding_parameters(7).k=108;  
  
% RS puncturing vector  
coding_parameters(1).prs=-1; % no RS  
coding_parameters(2).prs=[ones(1,32),zeros(1,8)];  
...  
coding_parameters(7).prs=[ones(1,120),zeros(1,4)];  
  
% CC puncturing vector  
coding_parameters(1).pcc=[1,1];  
...  
coding_parameters(7).pcc=[1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0];  
  
% select data for given Rate_ID  
n=rate_ID+1;  
M=coding_parameters(n).MQAM;  
k=coding_parameters(n).k;  
prs=coding_parameters(n).prs';  
pcc=coding_parameters(n).pcc';
```

The Coding Rates and the MQAM modulation parameters are designed in such a way that, in all cases



In all cases of  $N_{FFT}=256, 512, 1024, 2048$  the number of data symbols transmitted is a multiple of 192.

**Recall this table:**

FFT size	256	128	512	1024	2048
N_used	200	108	426	850	1702
N_nulls	56	20	86	174	346
N_pilots	8	12	42	82	166
N_data	192	96	384	768	1536

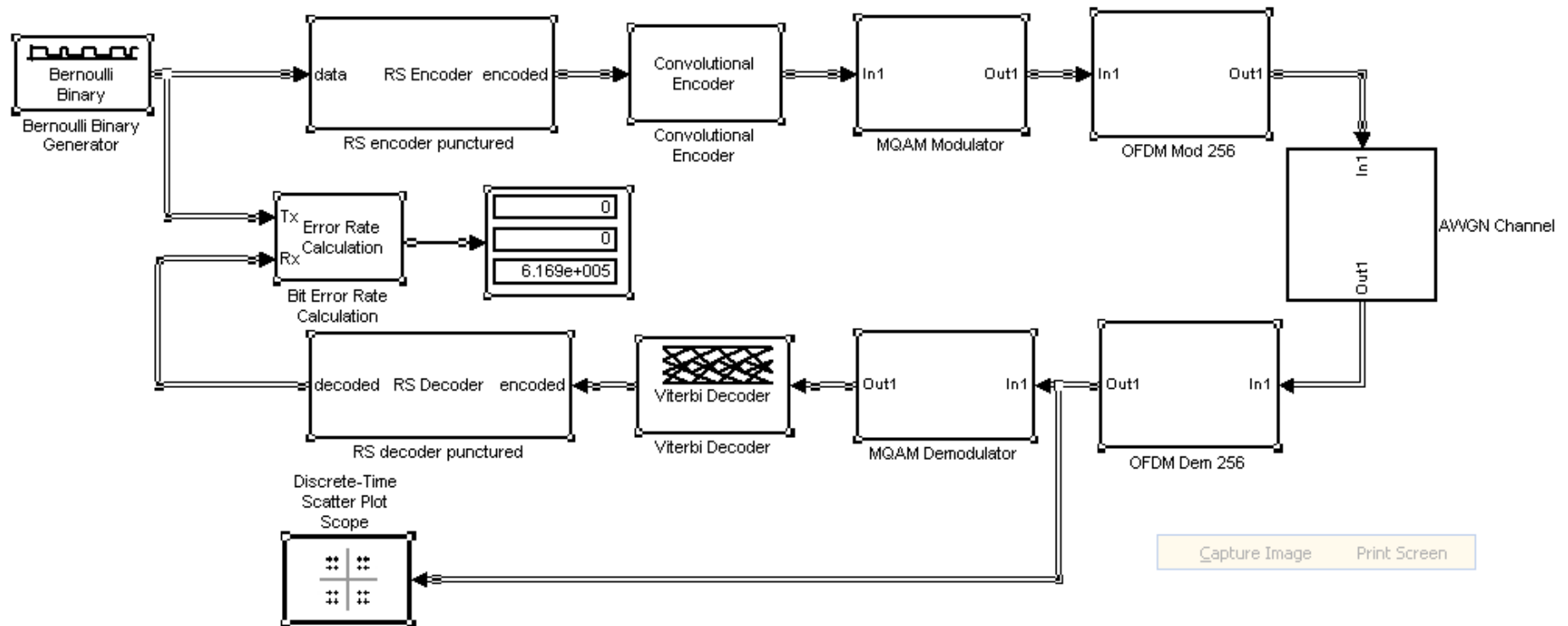
2x192

4x192

8x192

# Put Everything together for IEEE802.16 2004 with AWGN Channel

## WiMax256.mdl



## **IEEE802.16 Implementation**

In addition to OFDM Modulator/Demodulator and Coding we need

- Time Synchronization: to detect when the packet begins
- Channel Estimation: needed in OFDM demodulator
- Channel Tracking: to track the time varying channel (for mobile only)

In addition we need

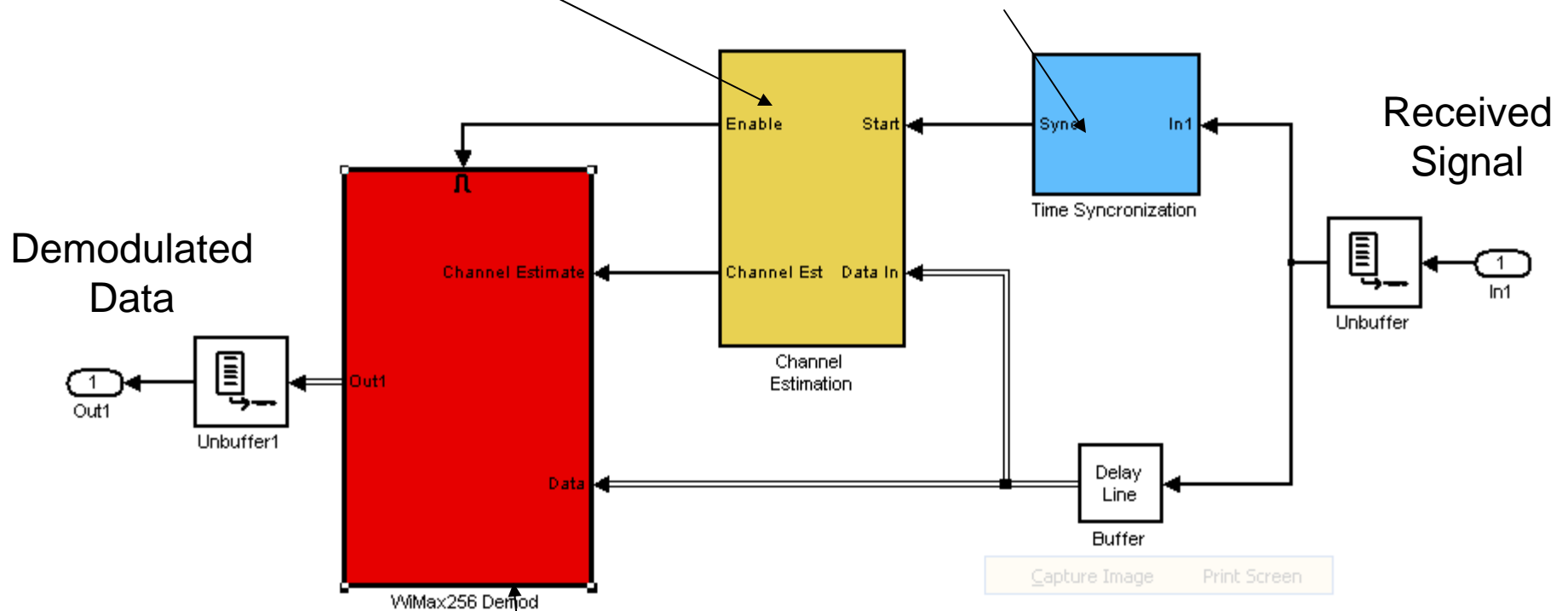
- Frequency Offset Estimation: to compensate for phase errors and noise in the oscillators
- Offset tracking: to track synchronization errors



## Basic Structure of the Receiver

**Channel Estimation:**  
estimate the frequency  
response of the channel

**Time Synchronization:**  
detect the beginning of  
the packet and OFDM  
symbol



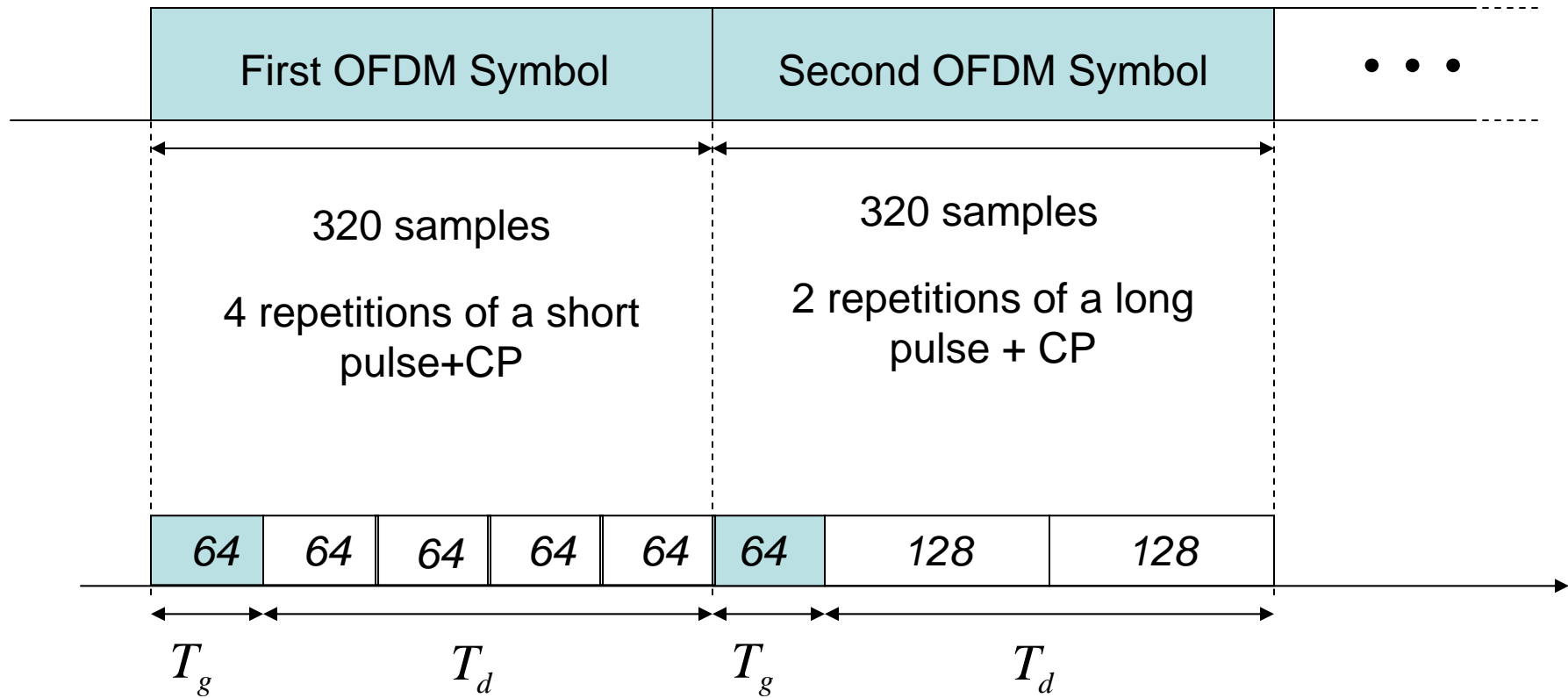
WiMax Demodulator

## Time Synchronization

In IEEE802.16 (256 carriers, 64 CP) Time and Frequency Synchronization are performed by the Preamble.

**Long Preamble:** composed of 2 OFDM Symbols

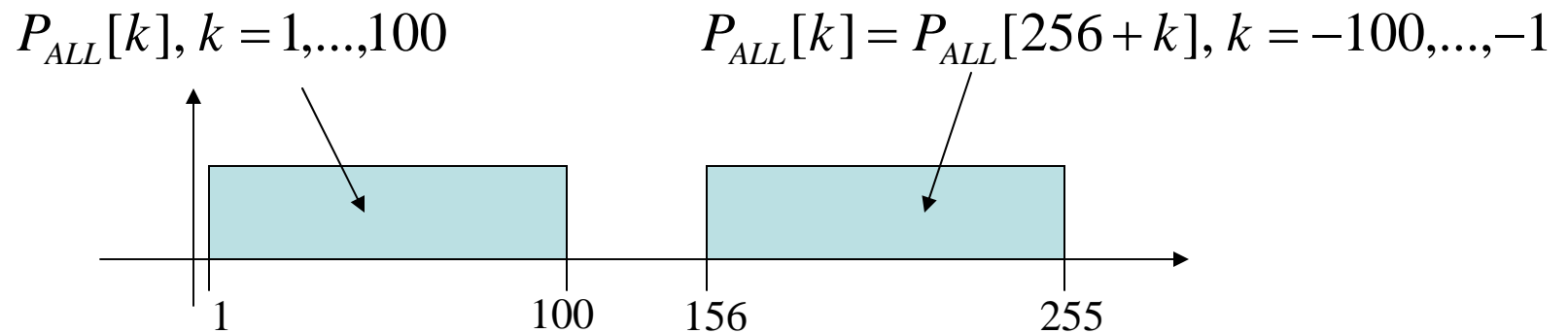
**Short Preamble:** only the Second OFDM Symbol



The standard specifies the Down Link preamble as QPSK for subcarriers between -100 and +100:

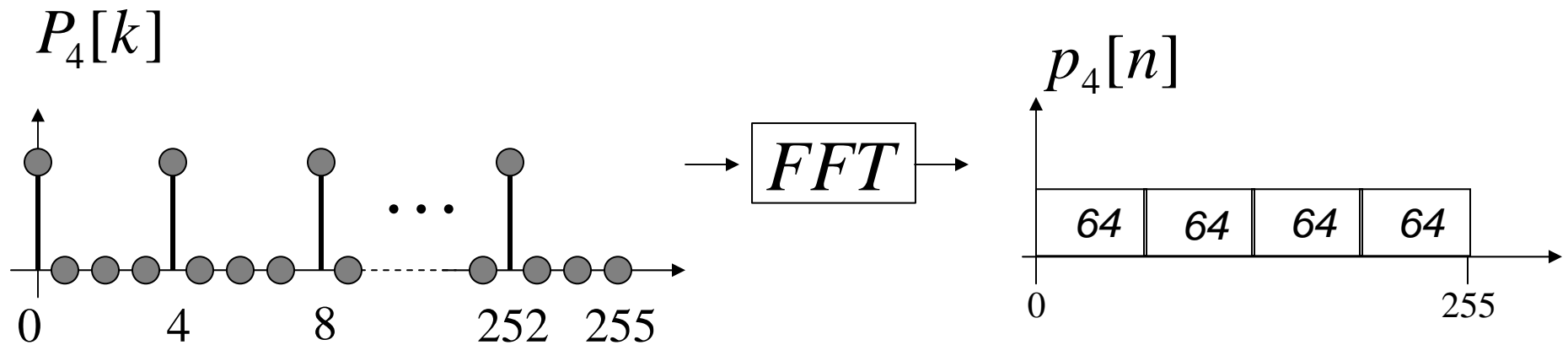
$$P_{ALL}[k] = \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pm j, & k = -100, \dots, -1, +1, \dots, +100 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Using the periodicity of the FFT:

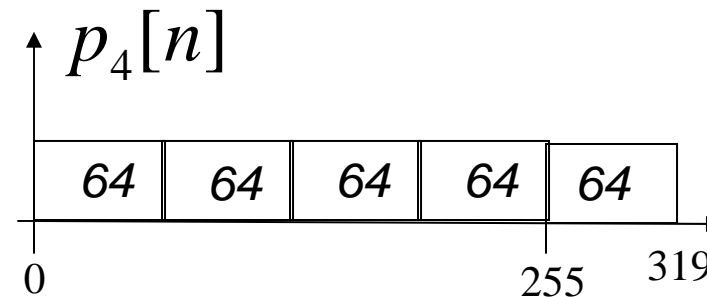


- **Short Preamble**, to obtain the 4 repetitions, choose only subcarriers multiple of 4:

$$P_4[k] = \begin{cases} 2P_{ALL}^*[k], & \text{if } k \bmod 4 = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

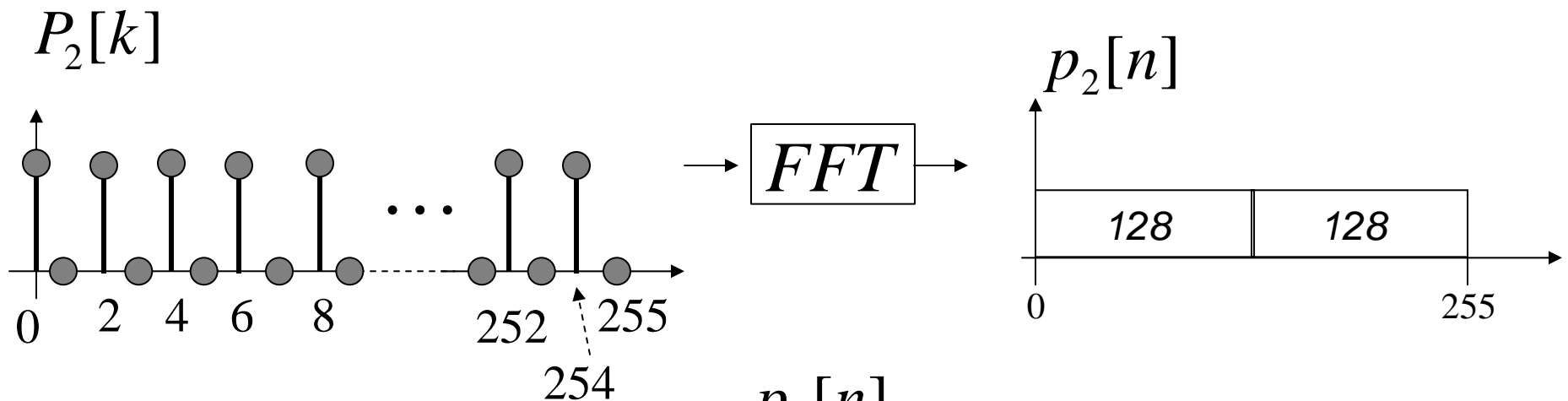


**Add Cyclic Prefix:**

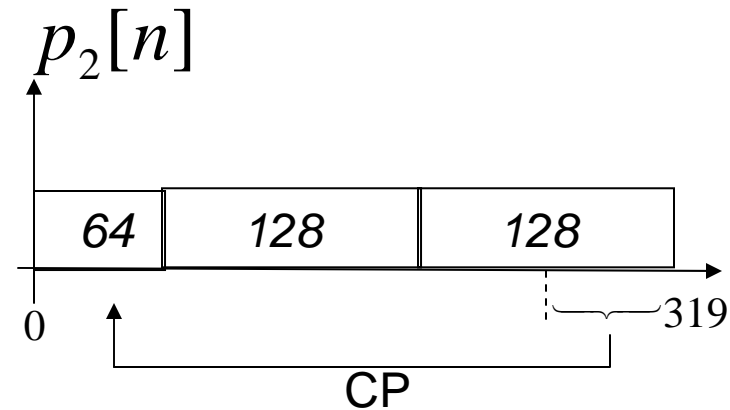


- **Long Preamble**: to obtain the 2 repetitions, choose only subcarriers multiple of 2 :

$$P_2[k] = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2}P_{ALL}[k], & \text{if } k \bmod 2 = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



**Add Cyclic Prefix:**



Several combinations for Up Link, Down Link and **Multiple Antennas**.

We can generate a number of preambles as follows:

**With 2 Transmitting Antennas:**

$$P_2^0[k] = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2}P_{ALL}[k], & \text{if } k \bmod 2 = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$P_2^1[k] = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2}P_{ALL}[k], & \text{if } k \bmod 2 = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**With 4 Transmitting Antennas:**

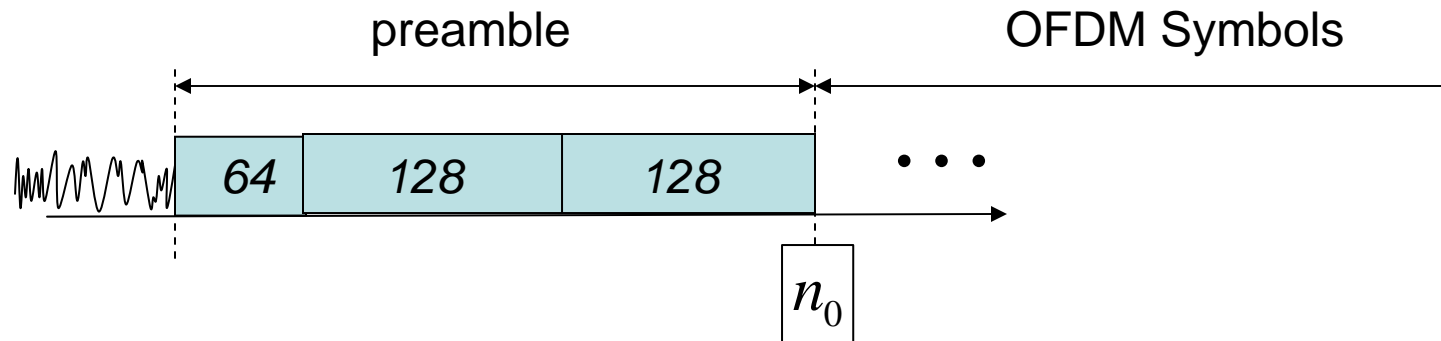
$$m = 0 \quad P_4^0[k] = \begin{cases} 2P_{ALL}^*[k], & \text{if } k \bmod 4 = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$m = 1, 2, 3 \quad P_4^m[k] = \begin{cases} P_{ALL}^*[k + 2 - m], & \text{if } k \bmod 4 = m \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

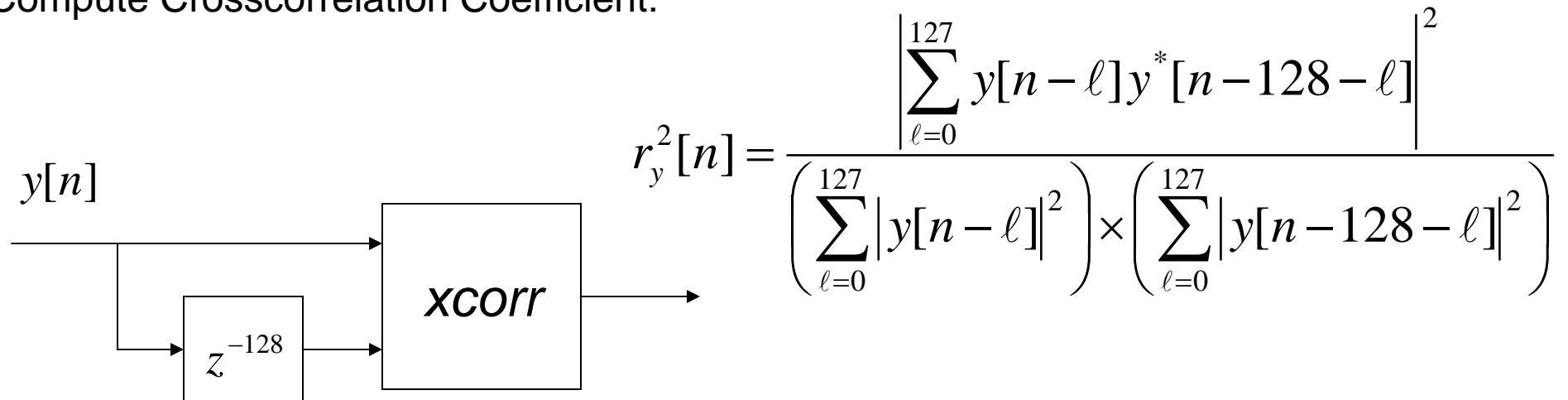
# Time Synchronization from Long Preamble

## 1. Coarse Time Synchronization using Signal Autocorrelation

Received signal:



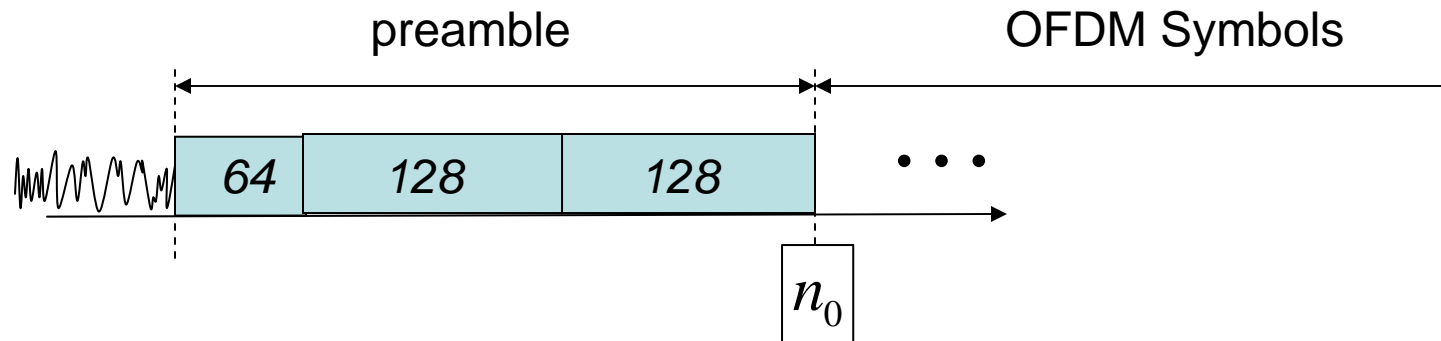
Compute Crosscorrelation Coefficient:



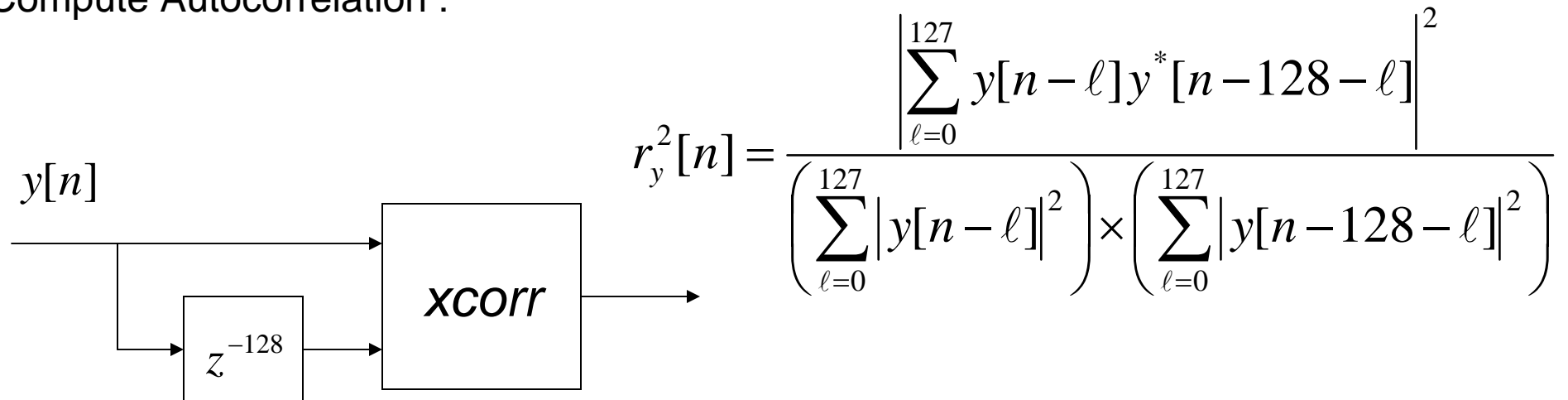
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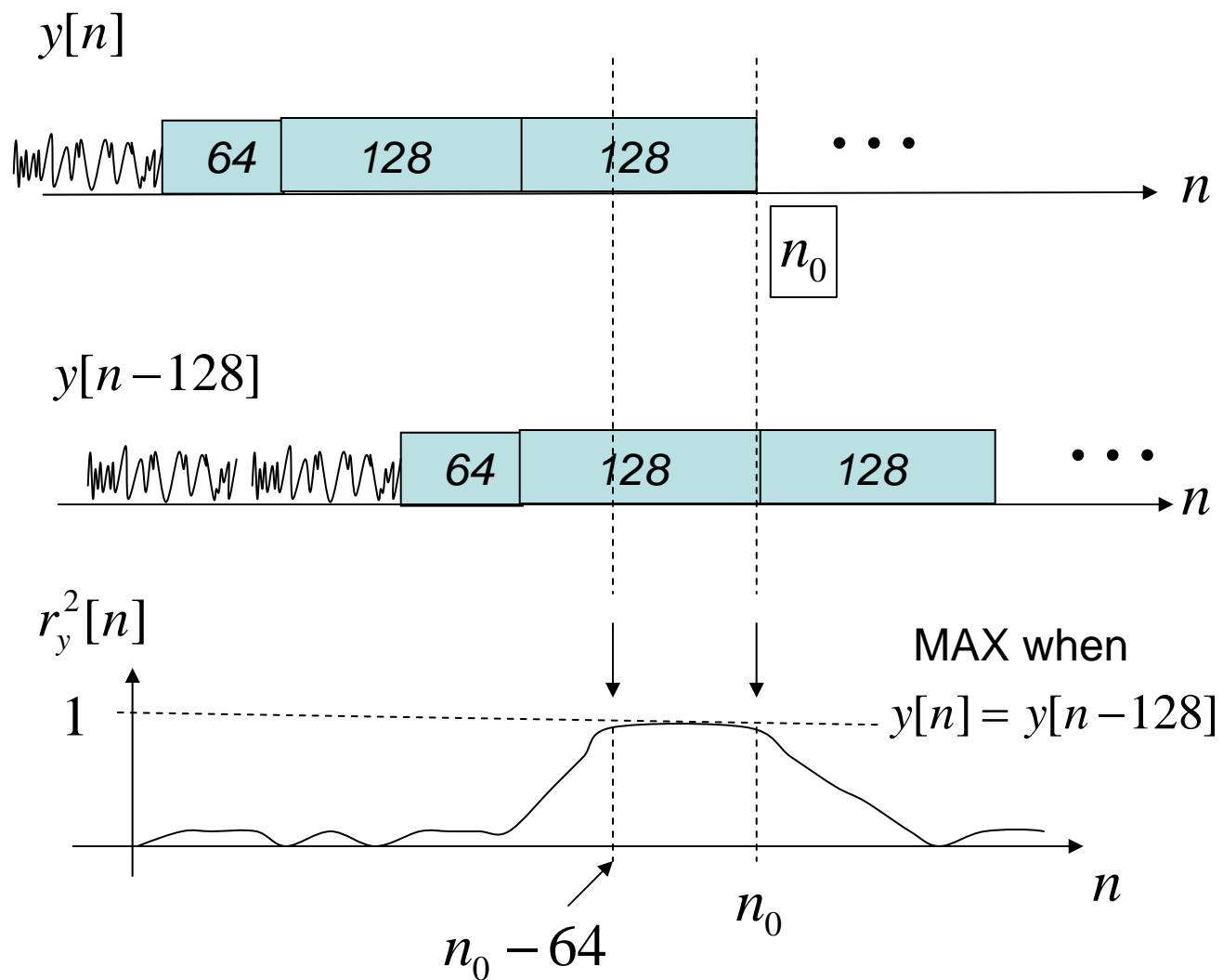


Compute Autocorrelation :



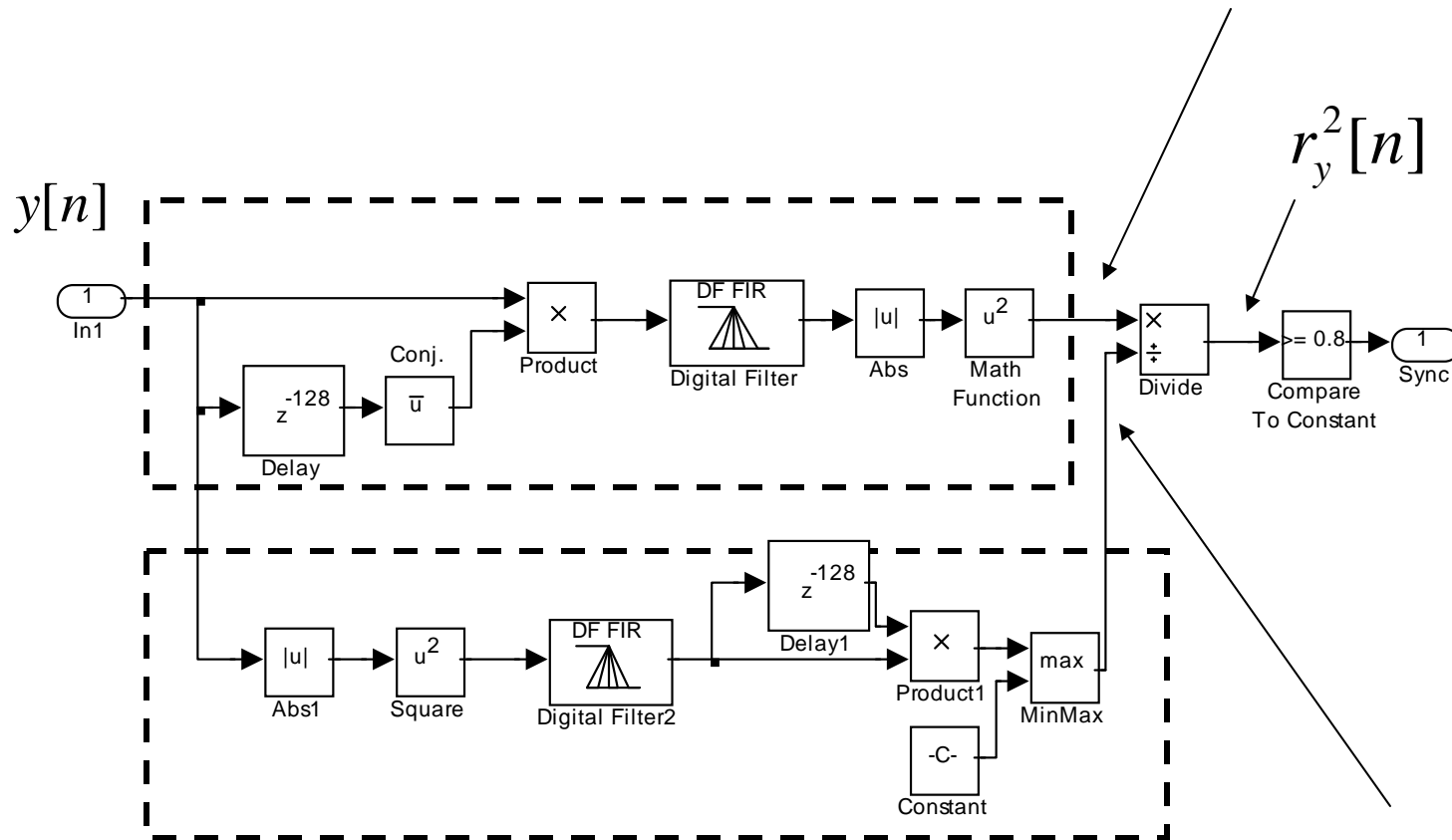


## Effect of Periodicity on Autocorrelation:



Compute it in Simulink:

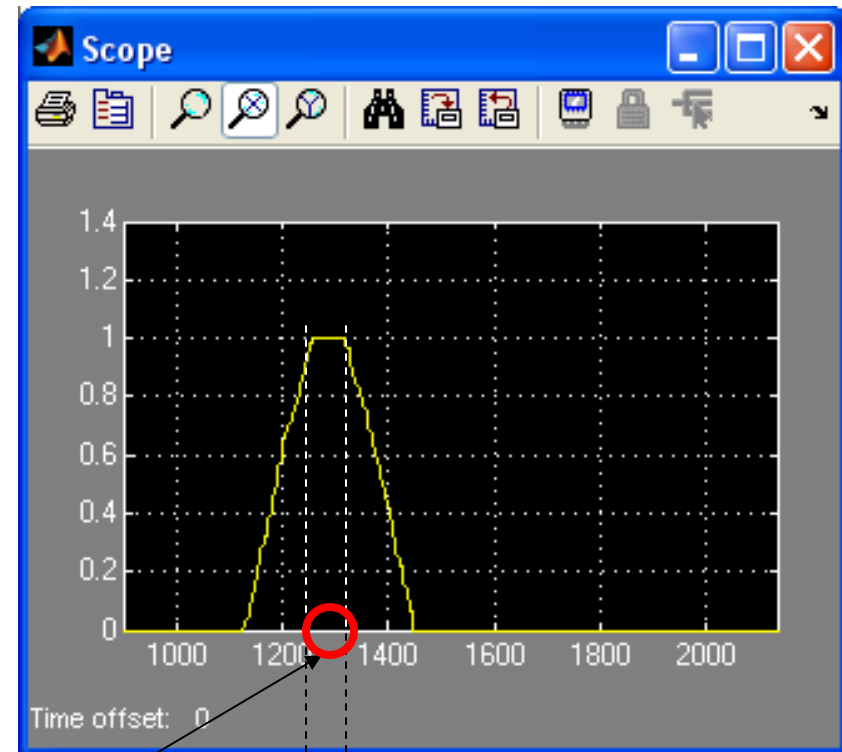
$$\left| \sum_{\ell=0}^{127} y[n-\ell] y^*[n-128-\ell] \right|^2$$



$$\left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{127} |y[n-\ell]|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{127} |y[n-128-\ell]|^2 \right)$$

Example: perfect channel (no spread in time)

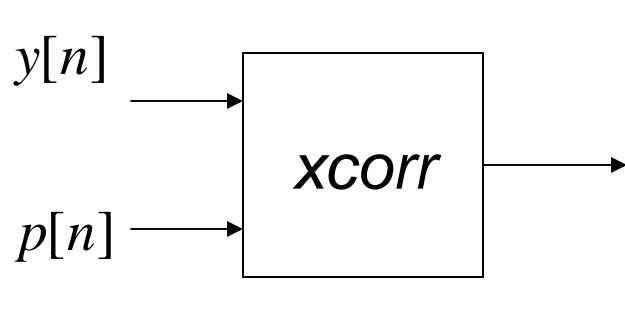
$$r_y[n]$$



The packet begins  
somewhere in here

64

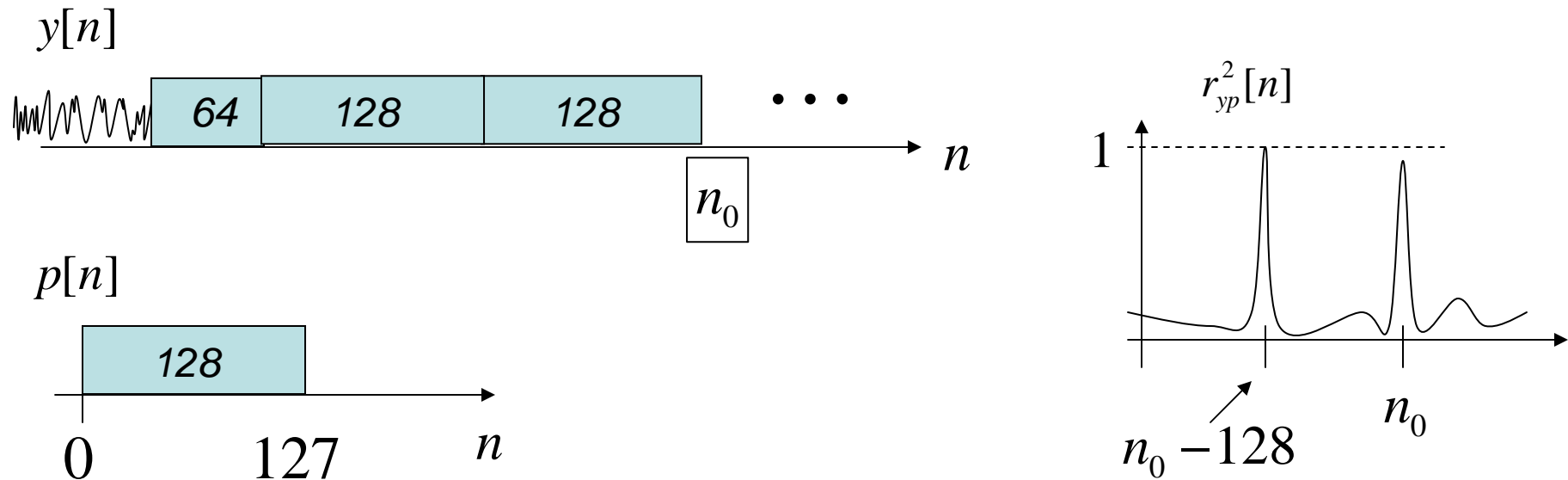
## 2. Fine Time Synchronization using Cross Correlation with Preamble



A block diagram showing two inputs,  $y[n]$  and  $p[n]$ , entering a block labeled  $xcorr$ . An arrow points from the block to the right, leading to the cross-correlation equation.

$$r_{yp}[n] = \frac{\left| \sum_{l=0}^{127} y[n-l] p^*[l] \right|^2}{\left( \sum_{l=0}^{127} |y[n-l]|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{127} |p[l]|^2 \right)}$$

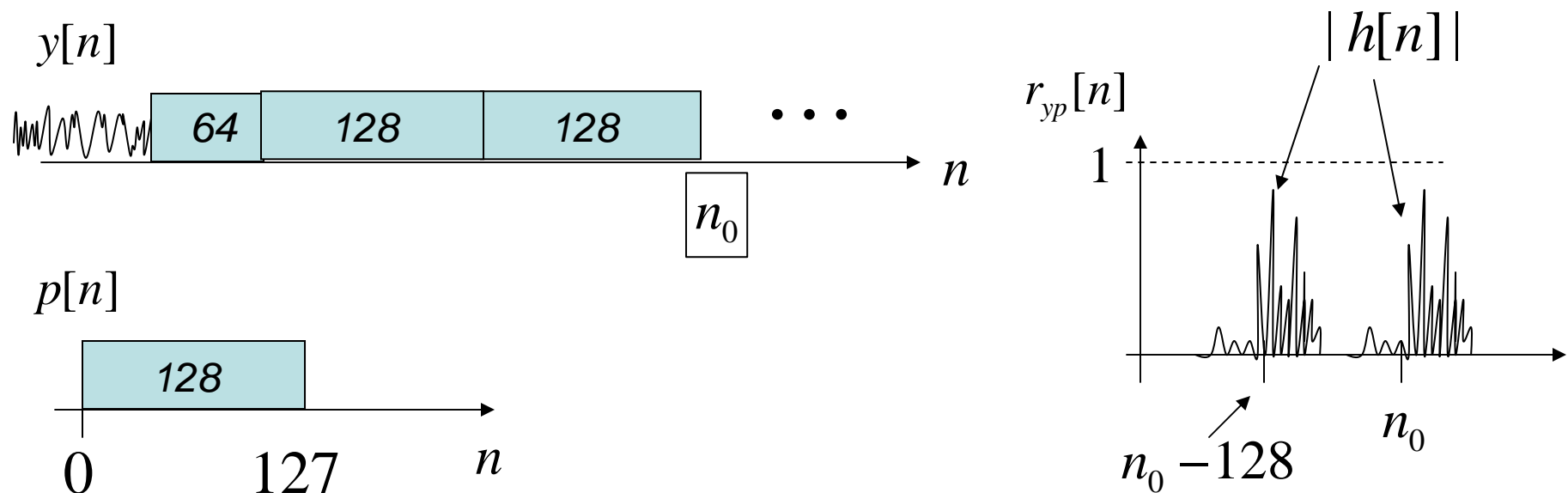
Since the preamble is random (almost like white noise), it has a short autocorrelation:



... with dispersive channel

$$r_{yp}[n] = \frac{\left| \sum_{l=0}^{127} y[n-l] p^*[l] \right|^2}{\left( \sum_{l=0}^{127} |y[n-l]|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{127} |p[l]|^2 \right)}$$

Since the preamble is random, almost white, recall that the crosscorrelation yields the impulse response of the channel



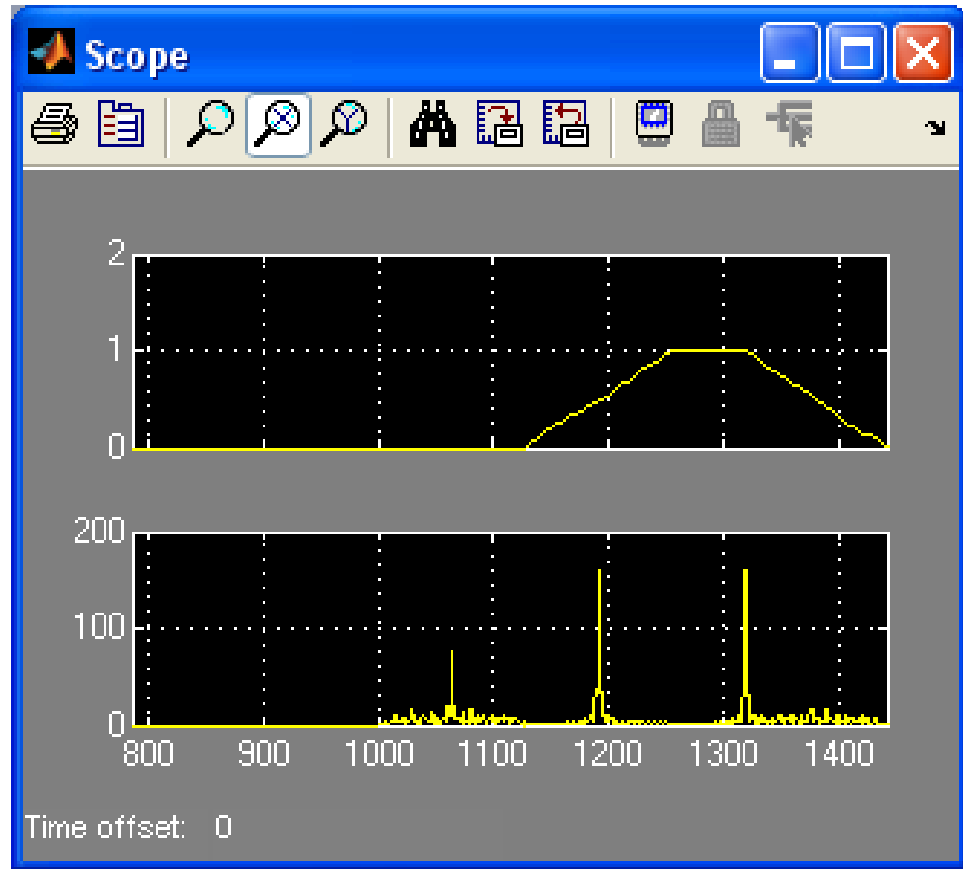
Compare the two (non dispersive channel):

Autocorrelation of  
received data

$r_y$

Crosscorrelation with  
preamble

$r_{yp}$

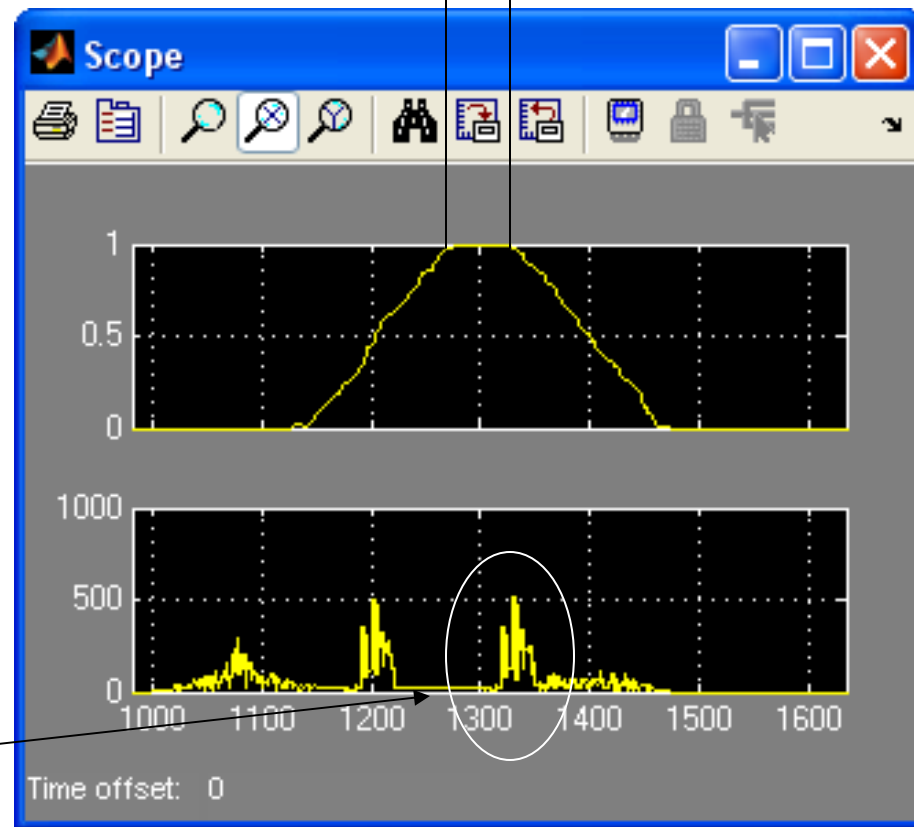


## Synchronization with Dispersive Channel

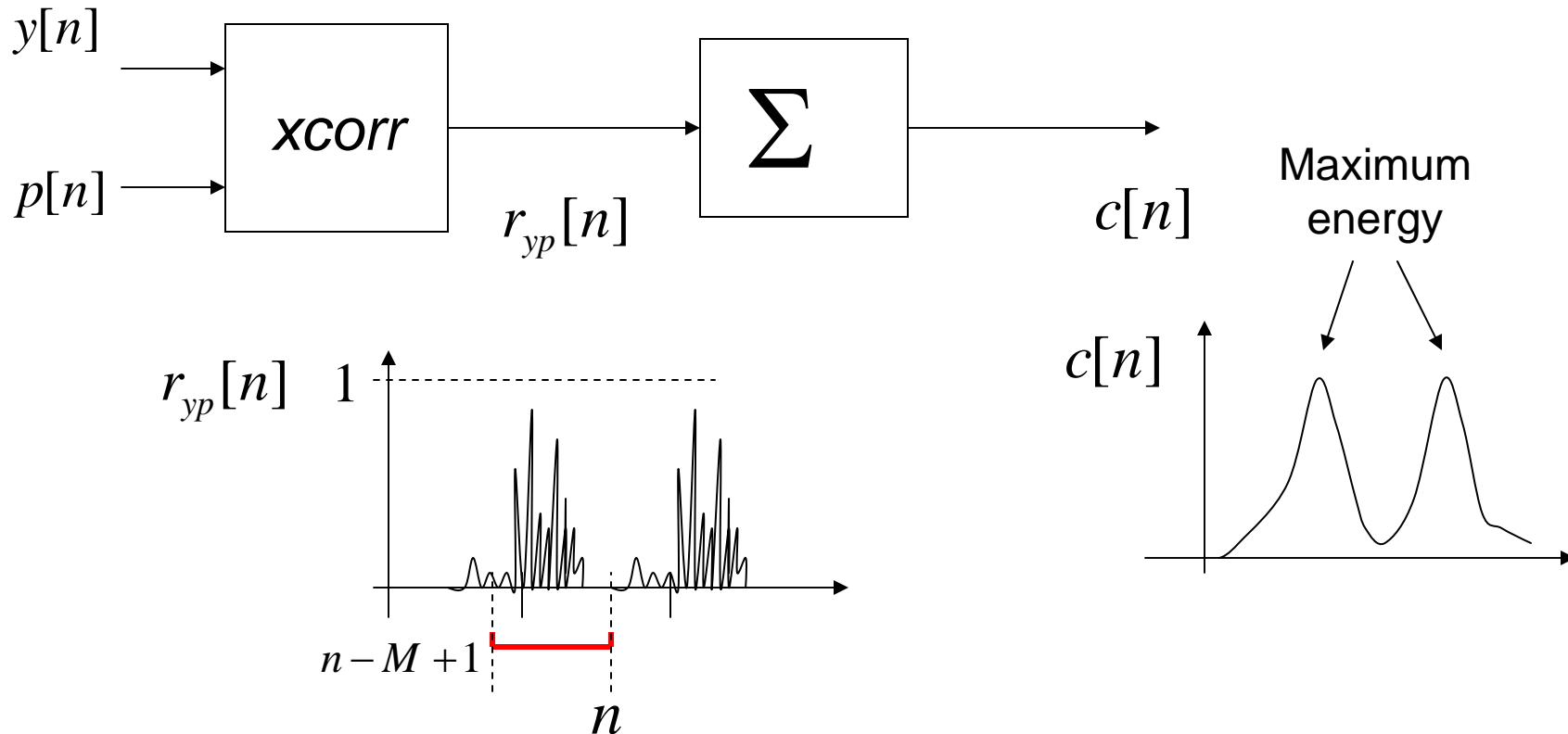
Let  $L$  be the length of the channel impulse response

$$64 - L$$

Channel impulse  
response



In order to determine the starting point, compute the energy on a sliding window and choose the point of maximum energy

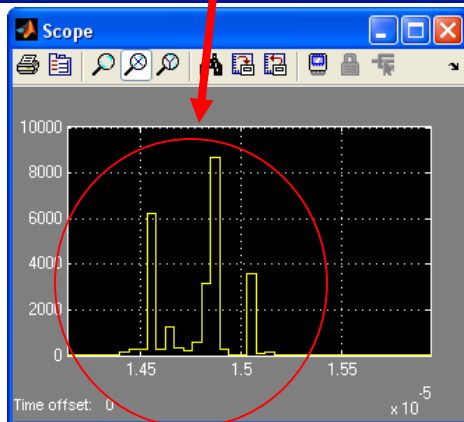
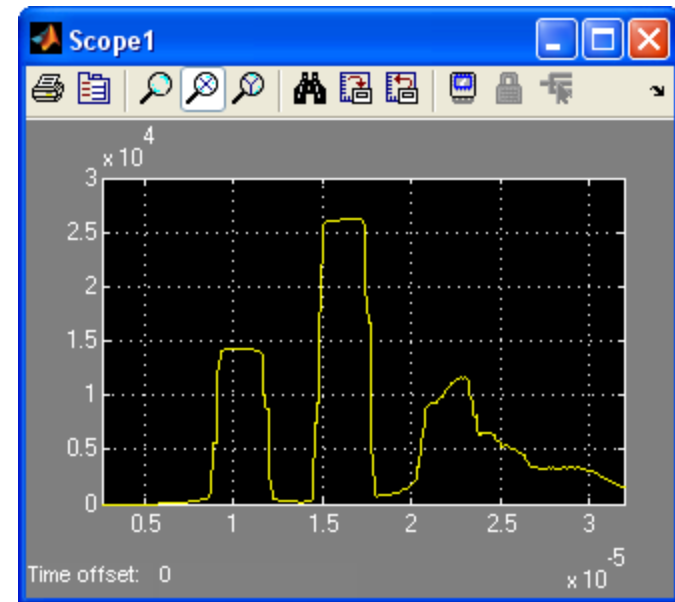
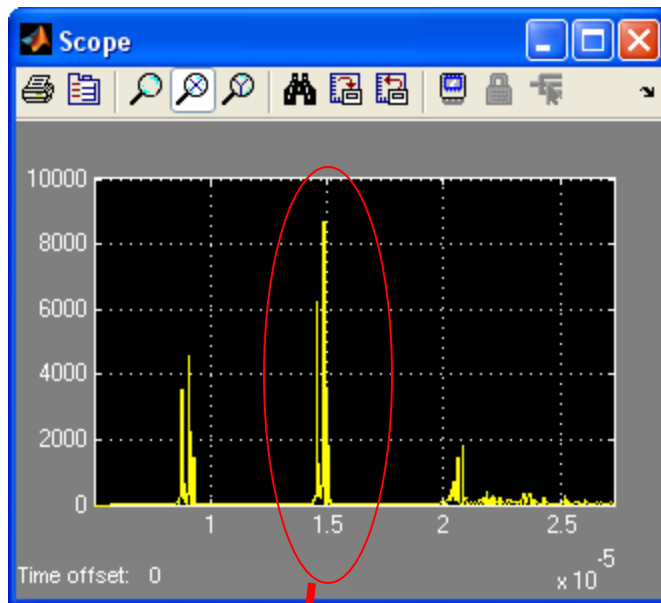
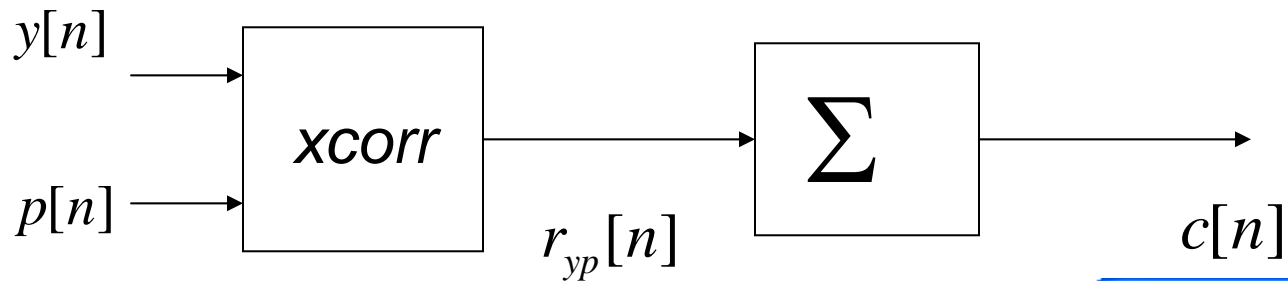


$M = \text{max length of channel} = \text{length of CP}$

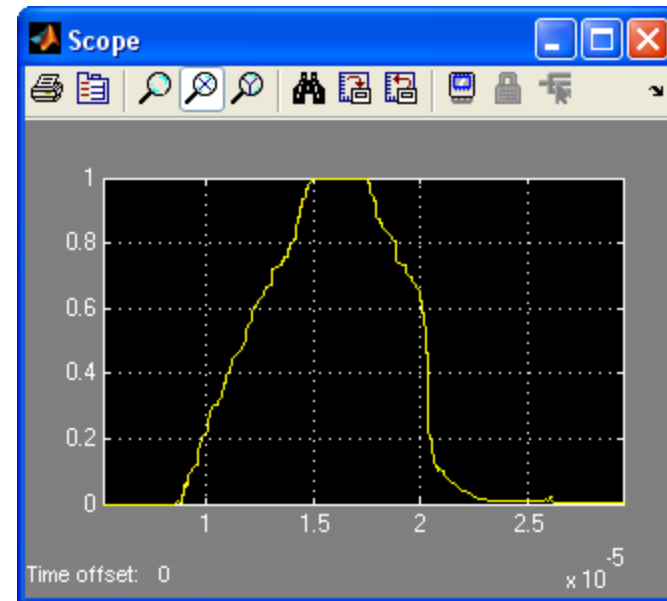
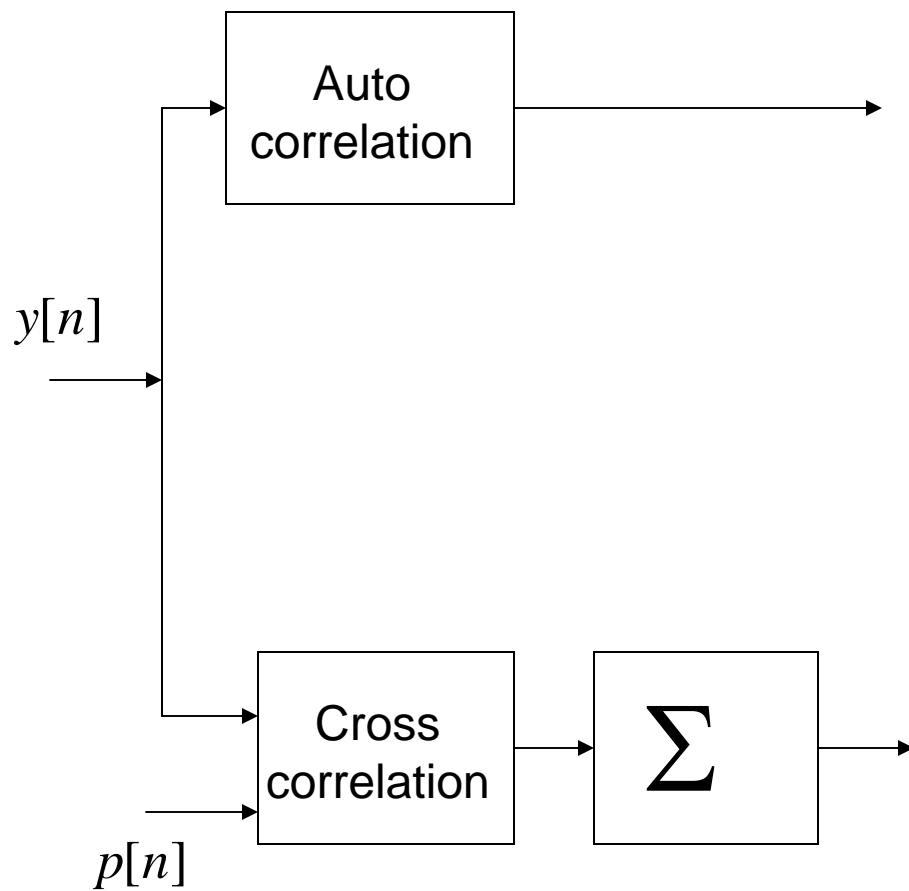
$$c[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} r_{yp}[n-k]$$



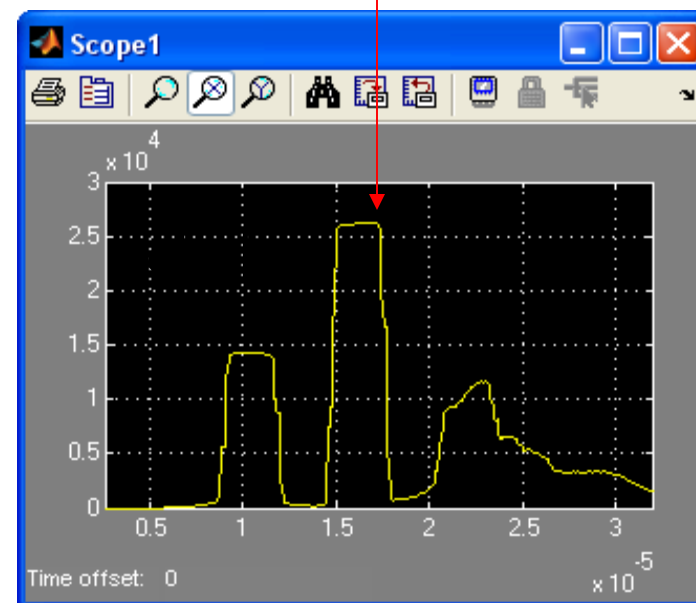
## Example



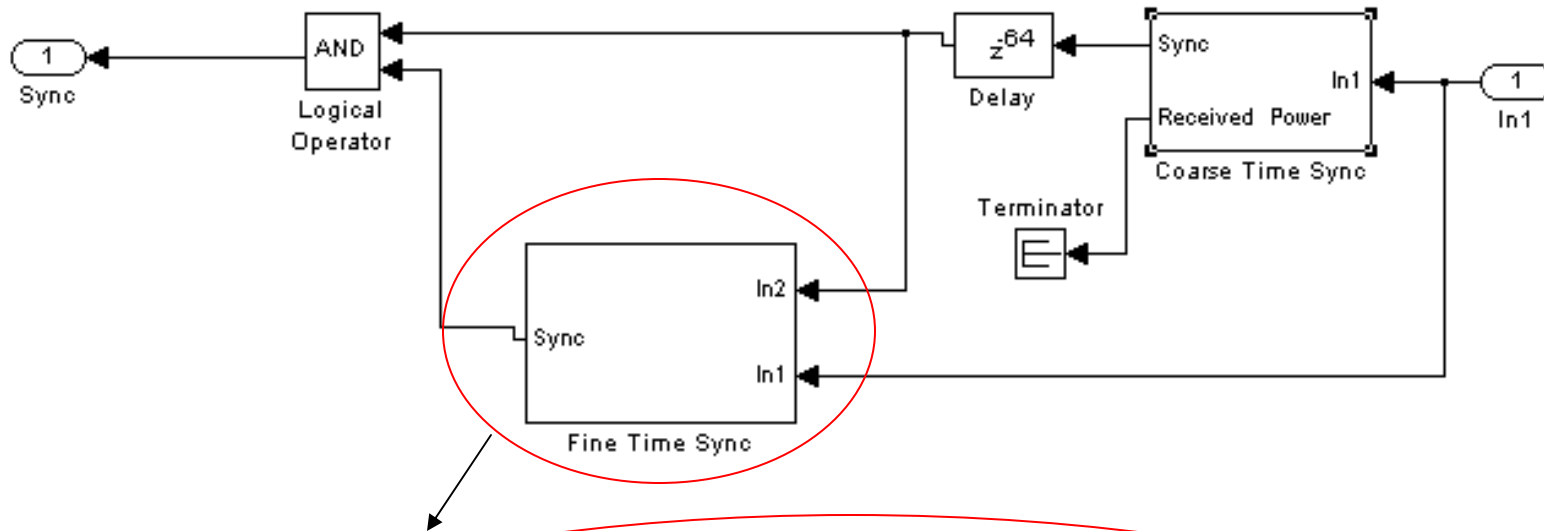
Impulse response  
of channel



max



Autocorrelation (saw previously)

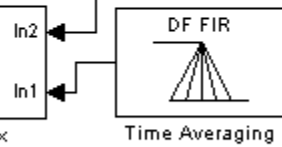


**Detect MAX**

**Cross correlation**

1  
Sync

Out1  
Detect Max

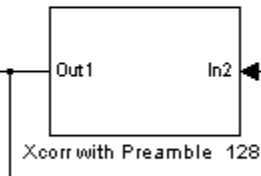


**Sum**

×

Product

-128  
z  
Delay1

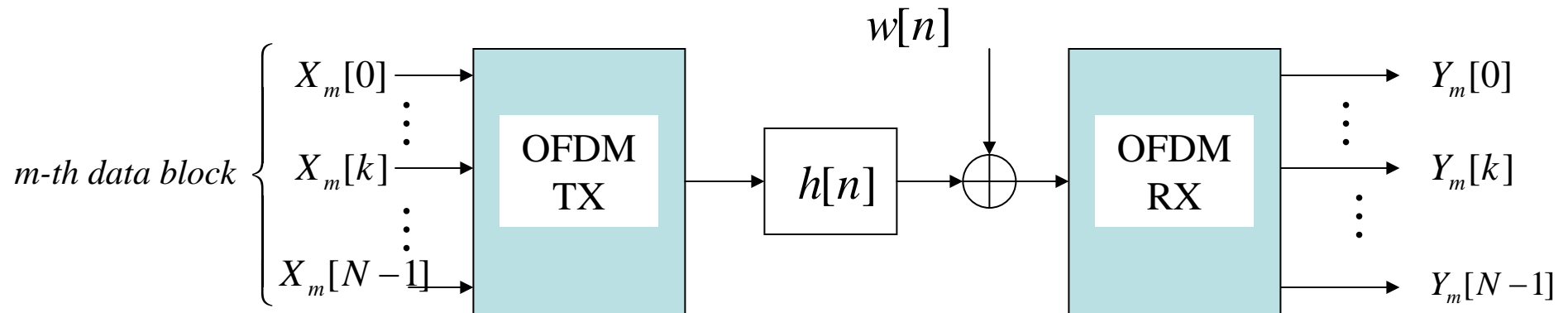


2  
In1

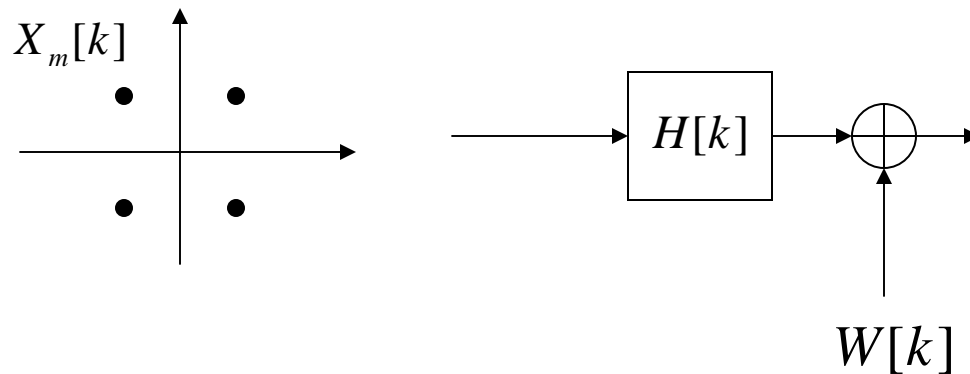
Out1  
Xcorr with Preamble 128

# Channel Estimation

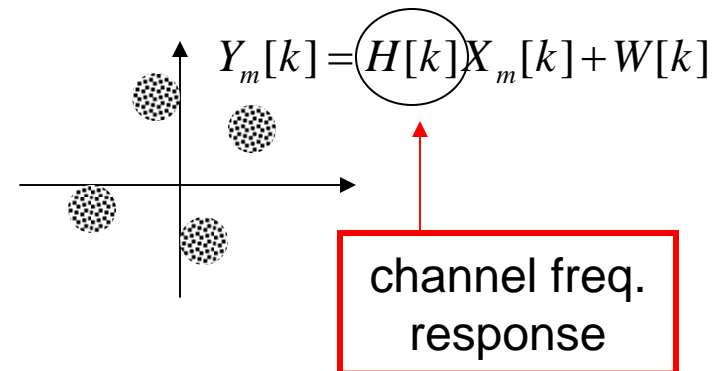
Recall that, at the receiver, we need the frequency response of the channel:



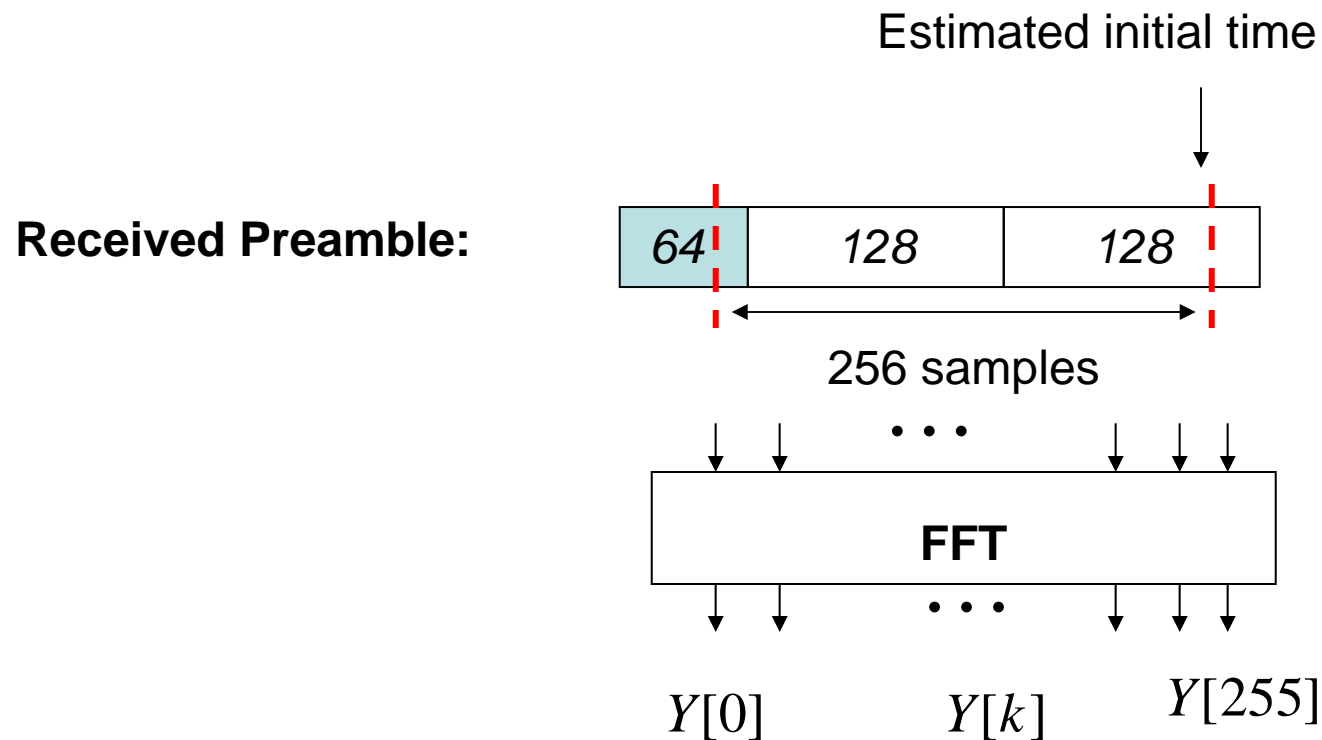
**Transmitted:**



**Received:**



**From the Preamble:** at the beginning of the received packet. The transmitted signal in the preamble is known at the receiver: after time synchronization, we take the FFT of the received preamble



$$Y[k] = H[k]X_p[k] + W[k], k = 0, \dots, 255$$

$$Y[k] = H[k]X_p[k] + W[k], k = 0, \dots, 255$$

Solve for  $H[k]$  using a Wiener Filter (due to noise):

$$\hat{H}[k] = \frac{Y[k]X_{preamble}^*[k]}{|X_p[k]|^2 + \sigma_w^2}$$

↑ noise covariance

**Problem:** when  $X_p[k] = 0$  we cannot compute the corresponding frequency response  $H[k]$

**Fact: by definition,**

$X_p[k] = \pm 1 \pm j$	<b>if</b>	$k = 2, 4, \dots, 100$ $k = 156, 158, \dots, 254$
$X_p[k] = 0$	<b>otherwise (ie DC, odd values, frequency guards)</b>	

## Two solutions:

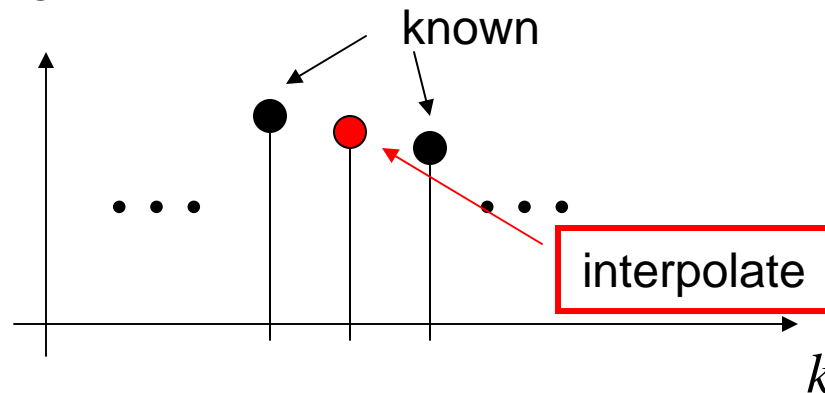
### 1. Compute the channel estimate

$$\hat{H}[k] = \frac{Y[k] X_{preamble}^*[k]}{|X_p[k]|^2 + \sigma_w^2}$$

only for the frequencies  $k$  such that

$$X_p[k] \neq 0$$

and interpolate for the other frequencies. This might not yield good results and the channel estimate might be unreliable;



2. Recall the FFT and use the fact that we know the maximum length  $L$  of the channel impulse response

$$Y[k] = H[k]X_p[k] + W[k]$$

Since the preamble is such that either  $|X_p[k]| = 0$  or  $|X_p[k]| = \sqrt{2}$

For the indices where  $|X_p[k]| = \sqrt{2}$  we can write:

$$Y[k]X_p^*[k] = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} h[n]e^{-jk\frac{2\pi}{N}n} \right) \sqrt{2} + W[k]X_p^*[k] \quad \text{for } k = 2, 4, \dots, 100$$

$$k = 156, 158, \dots, 254$$

so that we have **100 equations and  $L=64$  unknowns.**

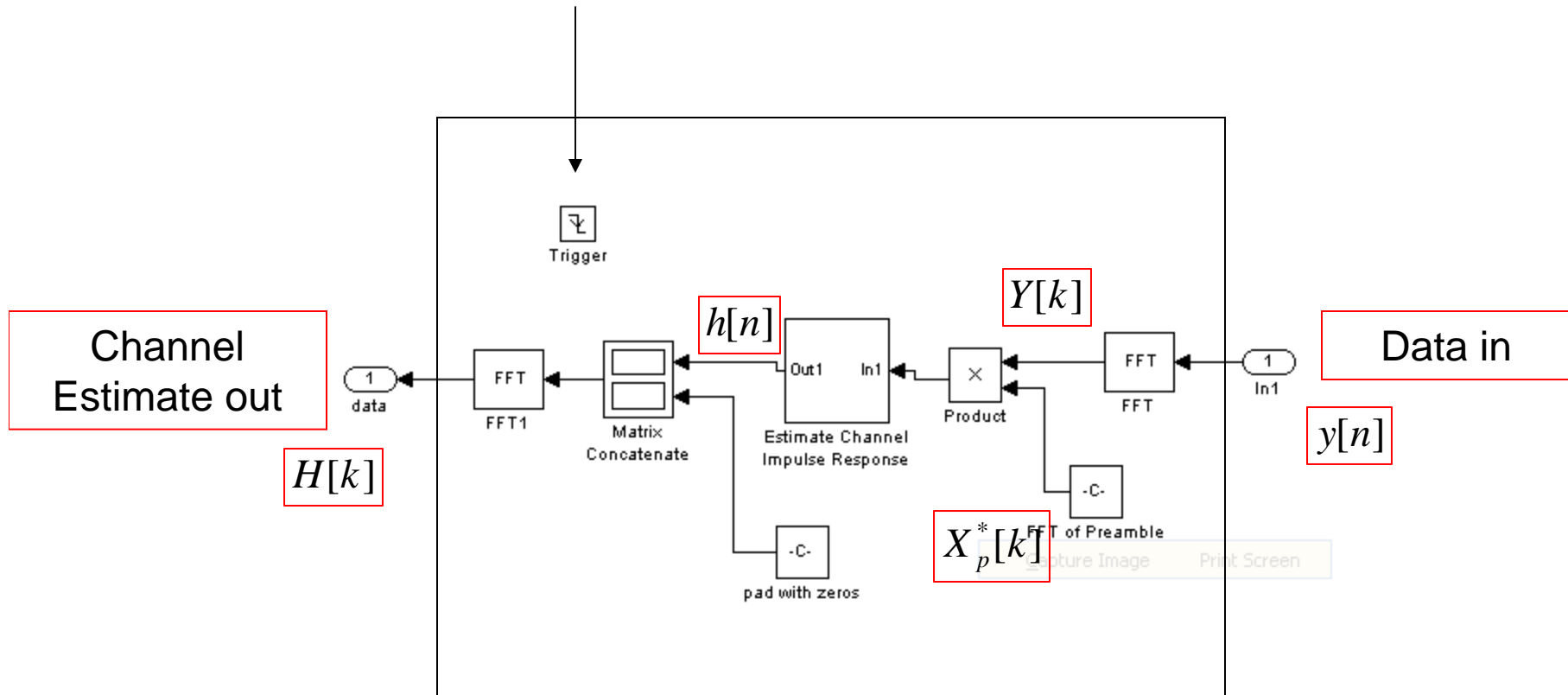
This is solved by a matrix multiplication

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ h \\ 64 \times 1 \end{array} = F_{inv} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ YX_p^* \\ 100 \times 1 \end{array}$$



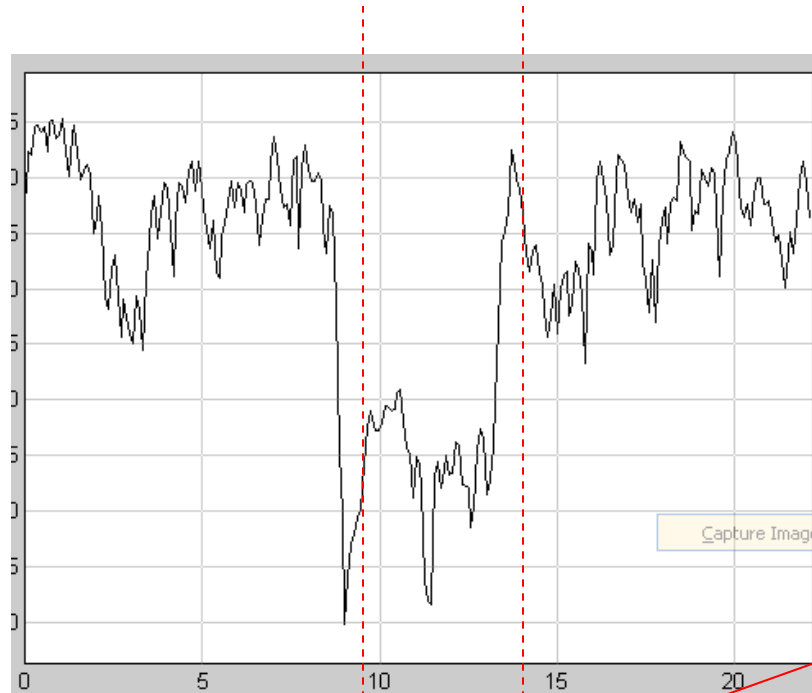
# Simulink Implementation

Trigger when preamble is detected



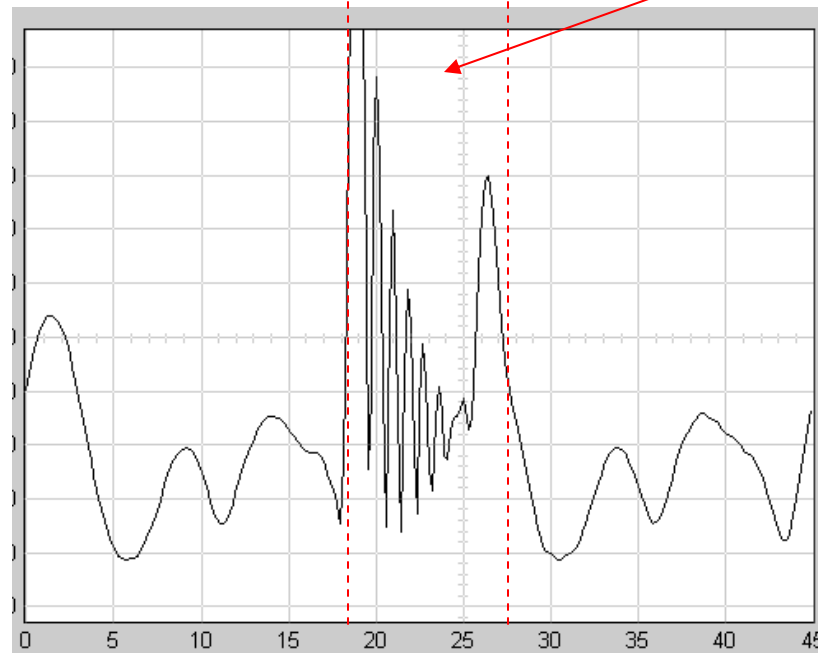
**Example:**

NOT TO  
SCALE



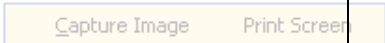
Spectrum of  
Received Signal

As expected, it  
does not match in  
the Frequency  
Guards



Estimated  
Frequency  
Response of  
Channel

# WiMax256.mdl



## Channel Tracking

In mobile applications, the channel changes and we need to track it.

IEEE802.16-2005 tracks the channel by embedding pilots within the data.

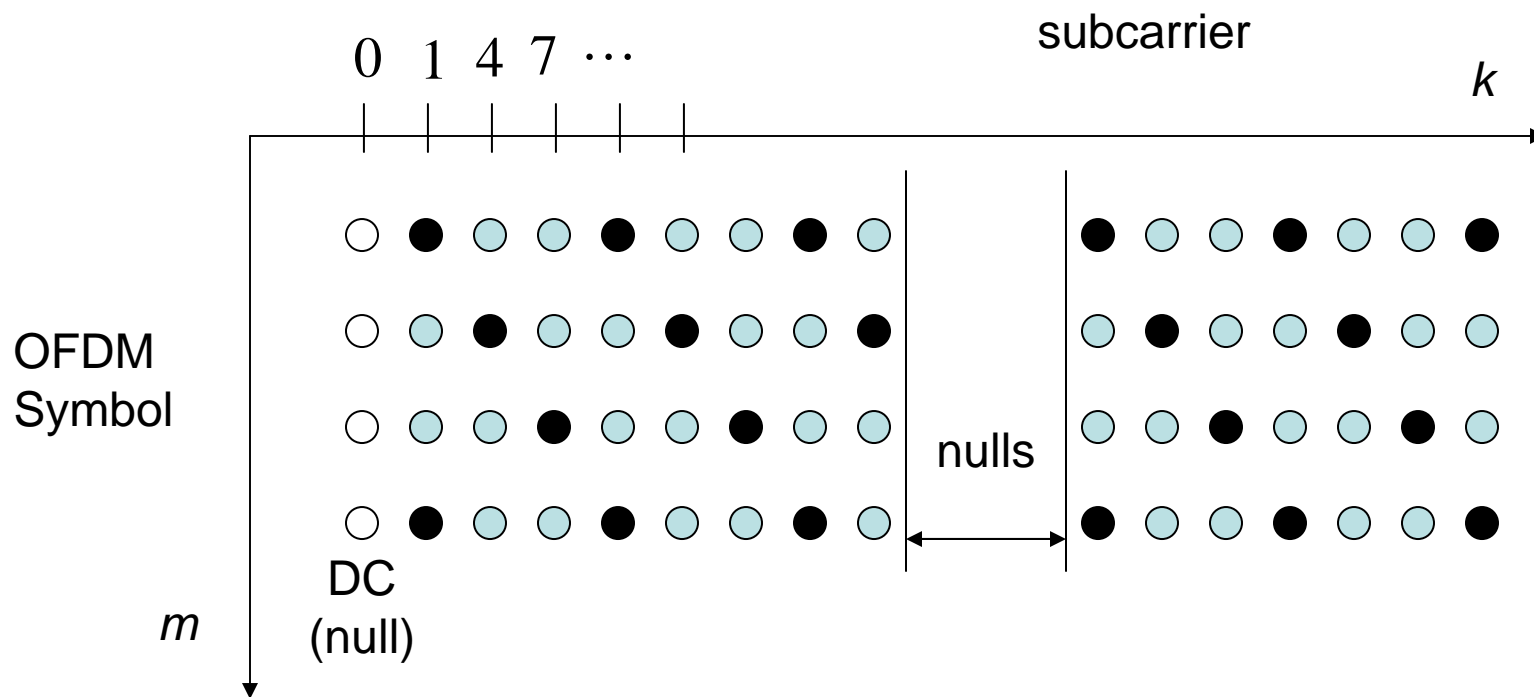
In the FUSC (Full Use of Sub Carriers) scheme, the pilots subcarriers are chosen within the non-null subcarriers as

$$9k + 3m + 1$$

with

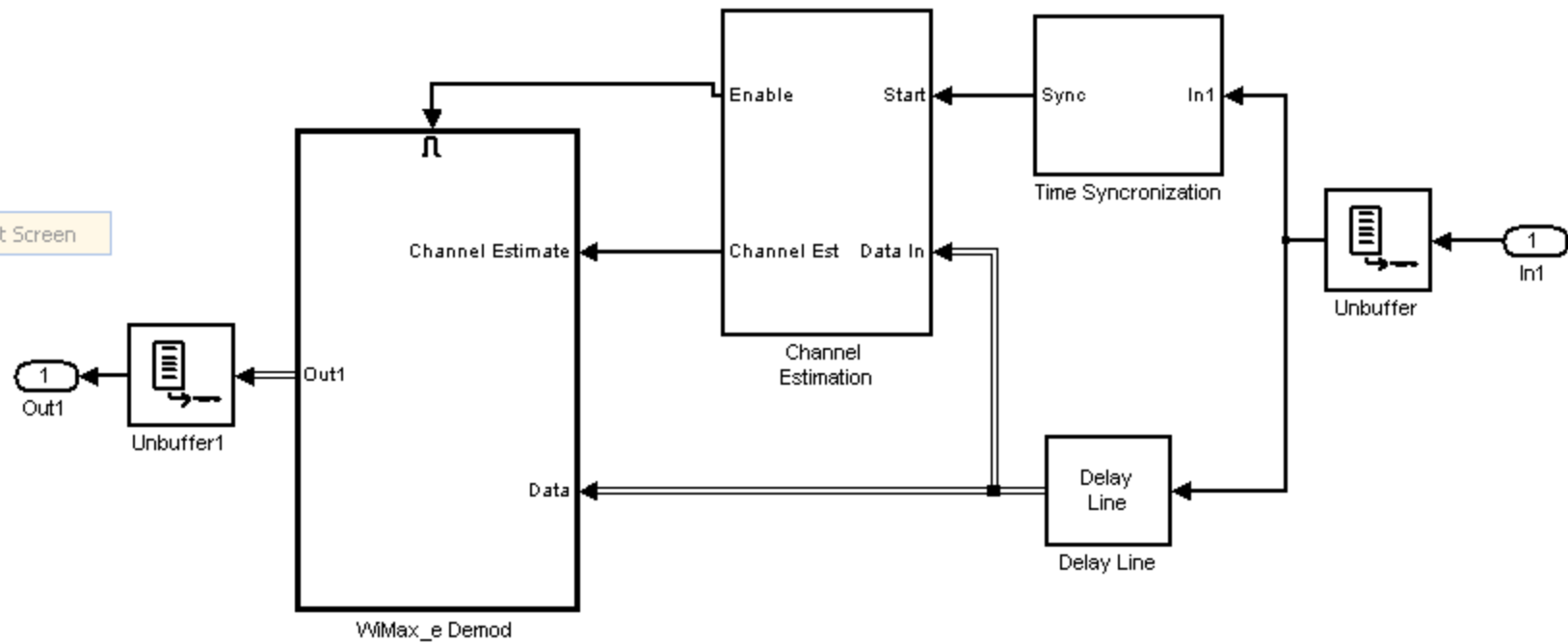
$$m = [\text{symbol\_index}] \bmod 3 = 0, 1, 2$$

$$k = \begin{cases} 0, \dots, 191 & \text{for } N_{FFT} = 2048 \\ 0, \dots, 95 & \text{for } N_{FFT} = 1024 \\ 0, \dots, 47 & \text{for } N_{FFT} = 512 \\ 0, \dots, 11 & \text{for } N_{FFT} = 128 \end{cases}$$

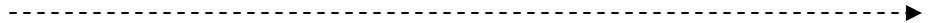


- pilots
- data
- nulls

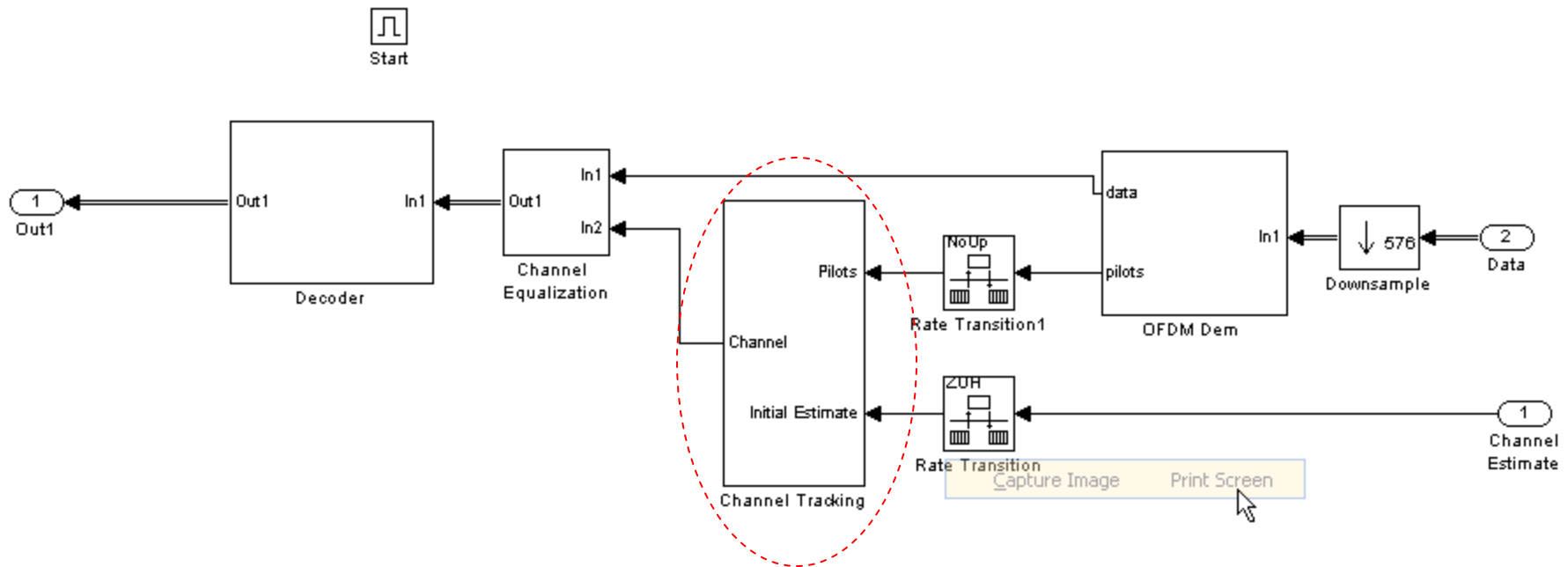
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Expand the  
Demodulator

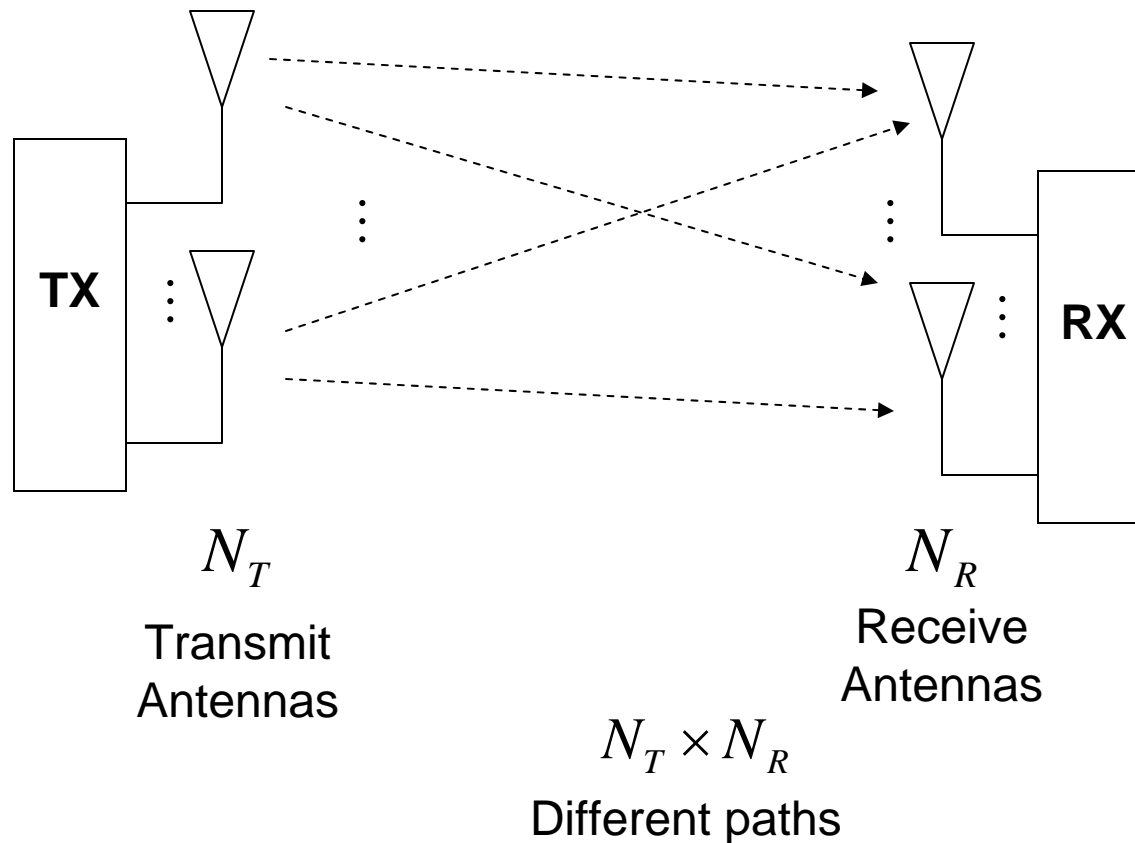


## Demodulator



Channel  
tracking

## Multiple Antenna Systems (MIMO)

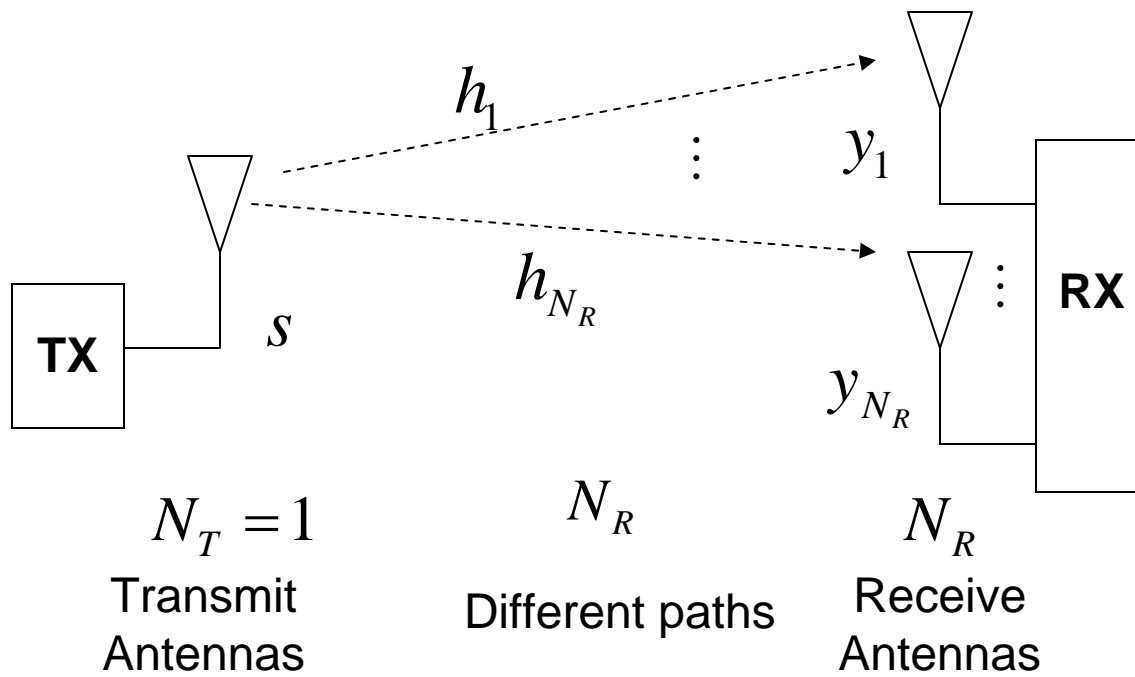


Two cases:

1. **Array Gain:** if all paths are strongly correlated to which other the SNR can be increased by array processing;
2. **Diversity Gain:** if all paths are uncorrelated, the effect of channel fading can be attenuated by diversity combining



## Receive Diversity:



$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{N_R} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{N_R} \end{bmatrix} \sqrt{E_S} s + \sqrt{N_0} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_{N_R} \end{bmatrix}$$

Energy per symbol
Noise PSD

Assume we know the channels at the receiver. Then we can decode the signal as

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{N_R} h_i^* y_i = \underbrace{\sqrt{E_S} \sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2 s}_{\text{signal}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{N_0} \sum_{i=1}^{N_R} h_i^* w_i}_{\text{noise}}$$

and the Signal to Noise Ratio

$$SNR = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2 \right) \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

In the Wireless case the channels are random, therefore  $\sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2$  is a random variable

Now there are two possibilities:

**1. Channels strongly correlated.** Assume they are all the same for simplicity

$$h_1 = h_2 = \dots = h_{N_R} = h$$

Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2 = N_R |h|^2 = N_R \chi_2^2$$

assuming  $E\{|h|^2\} = 1$

and

$$SNR = \left( N_R |h|^2 \right) \frac{E_S}{N_0} = \left( N_R \frac{1}{2} \chi_2^2 \right) \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

From the properties of the Chi-Square distribution:

$$m_{SNR} = E\{SNR\} = N_R \frac{E_S}{N_0} \quad \text{better on average ...}$$

$$\sigma_{SNR} = \sqrt{\text{var}\{SNR\}} = \frac{N_R}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E_S}{N_0} \quad \dots \text{ but with deep fades!}$$

Define the *coefficient of variation*

$$\mu_{\text{var}} = \frac{\sigma_{SNR}}{m_{SNR}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

In this case we say that there is no diversity.

## Recall the Chi-Square distribution:

1. Real Case. Let

$$y = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2$$

$$x_i \approx N(0,1) \text{ real, i.i.d.}$$

Then  $y = \chi_n^2$

with  $E\{y\} = n$   
 $\text{var}\{y\} = 2n$

2. Complex Case. Let

$$y = |x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2 + \dots + |x_n|^2$$

$$x_i = a_i + jb_i \approx CN(0,1) \text{ complex gaussian, i.i.d.}$$

Then  $y = \frac{1}{2} \chi_{2n}^2$

with  $E\{y\} = n$

$$\text{var}\{y\} = \frac{1}{2}n$$

## 2. Channels Completely Uncorrelated.

$$SNR = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2 \right) \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

Since:  $\sum_{i=1}^{N_R} |h_i|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \chi_{2N_R}^2$

$$SNR = \left( \frac{1}{2} \chi_{2N_R}^2 \right) \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

Diversity of order  $N_R$

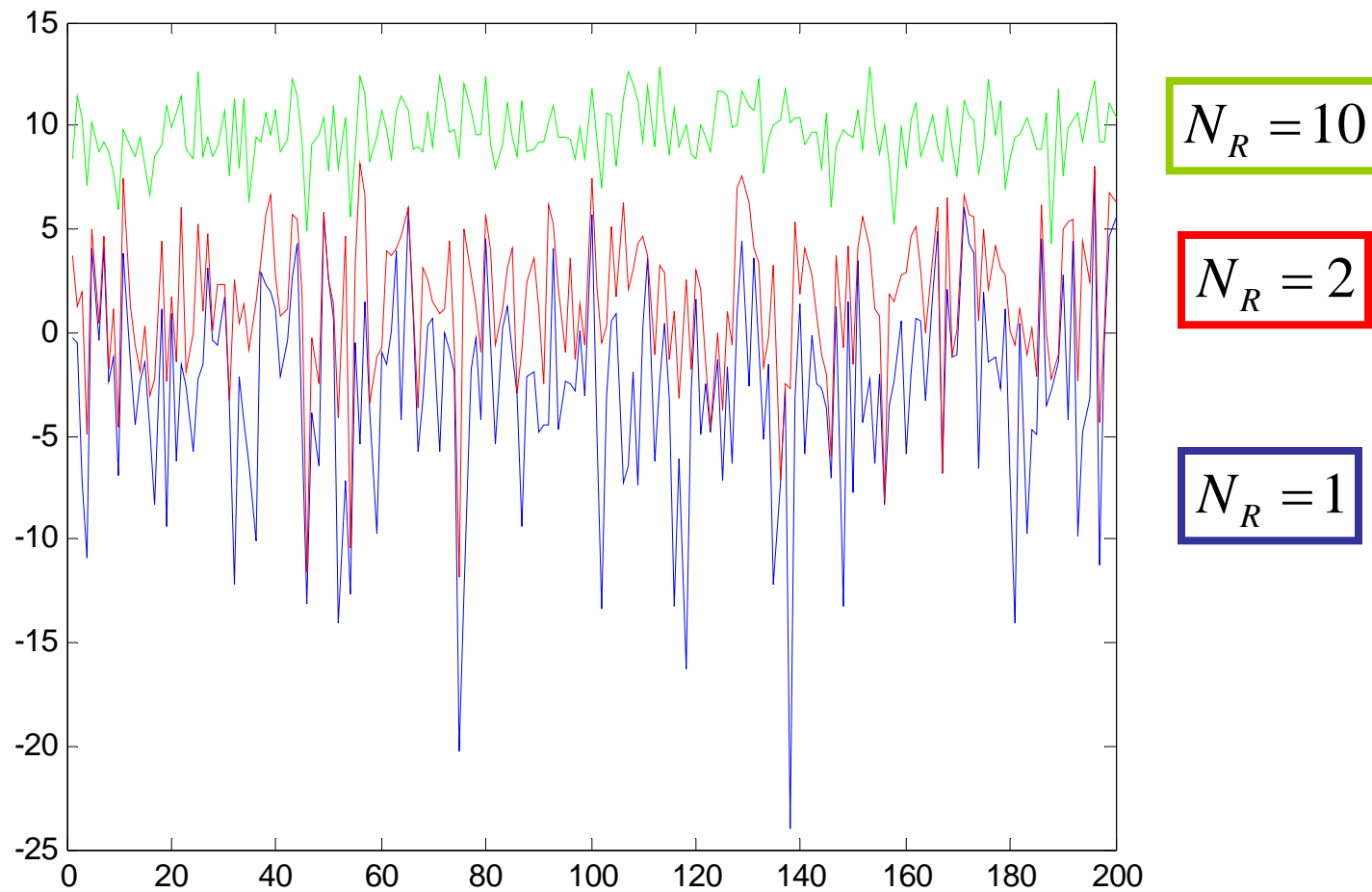
with

$$E\{SNR\} = N_R \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

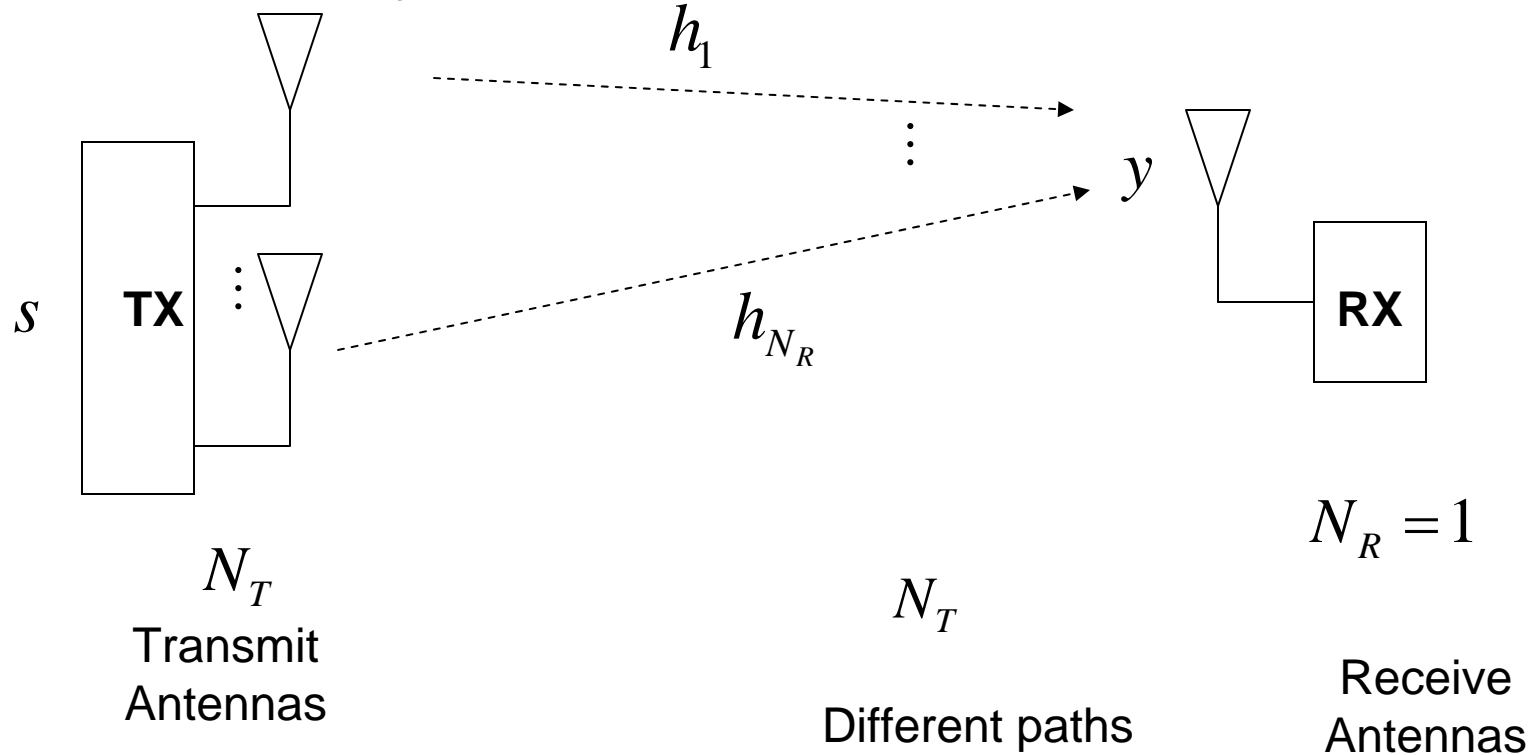
$$\sqrt{\text{var}\{SNR\}} = \sqrt{\frac{N_R}{2}} \frac{E_S}{N_0}$$

$$\mu_{\text{var}} = \frac{\sigma_{SNR}}{m_{SNR}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{N_R}}$$

Example: overall receiver gain with receiver diversity.



## Transmitter Diversity



$$y = \left( \sqrt{\frac{E_S}{N_T}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_T} h_i \right) s + \sqrt{N_0} w$$

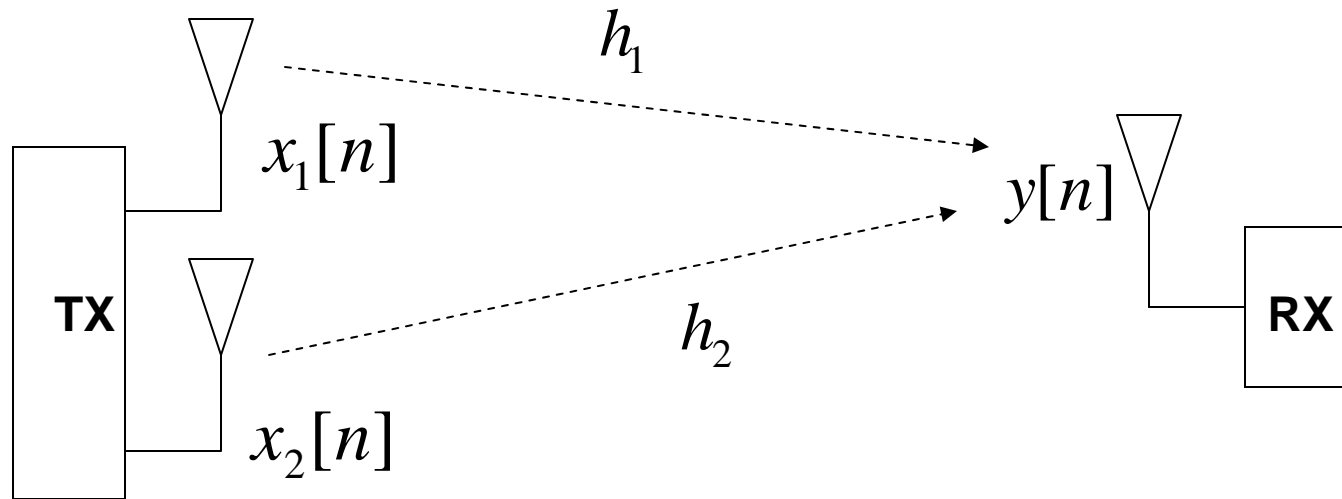
↑  
Total energy equally distributed  
on transmit antennas

Equivalent to one channel,  
with no benefit.



However there is a gain if we use **Space Time Coding**.

Take the case of Transmitter diversity with two antennas



Given two sequences  $s_1[n], s_2[n]$

code them within the two antennas as follows

The diagram shows the mapping of two sequences  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  to two antennas  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  over two time slots,  $2n$  and  $2n+1$ . At time  $2n$ ,  $x_1$  is mapped to  $s_1$  and  $x_2$  is mapped to  $s_2$ . At time  $2n+1$ ,  $x_1$  is mapped to  $-s_2^*$  and  $x_2$  is mapped to  $s_1^*$ . Arrows indicate the flow from the sequences to the antennas and then to the equations.

$$y[2n] = \sqrt{\frac{E_s}{2}} (h_1 s_1 + h_2 s_2) + \sqrt{N_0} w_1$$

$$y[2n+1] = \sqrt{\frac{E_s}{2}} (-h_1 s_2^* + h_2 s_1^*) + \sqrt{N_0} w_2$$

This can be written as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y[2n] \\ y^*[2n+1] \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{E_s}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix} + \sqrt{N_0} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2^* \end{bmatrix}$$

To decode, notice that

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_1^* & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y[2n] \\ y^*[2n+1] \end{bmatrix} = \left( \sqrt{\frac{E_s}{2}} \|h\|^2 \right) \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix} + \left( \sqrt{N_0} \|h\| \right) \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{w}_1 \\ \tilde{w}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

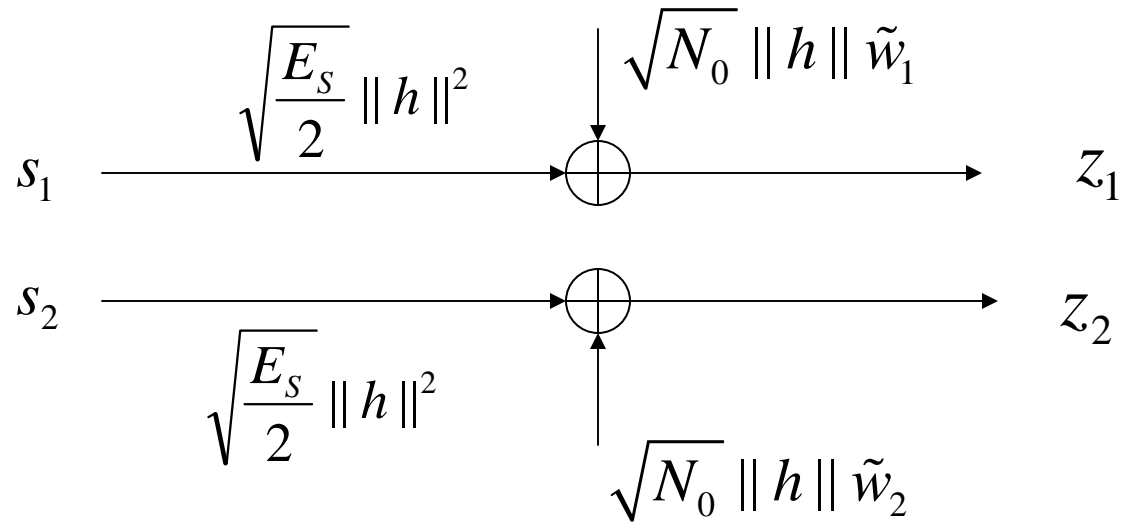
Use a Wiener Filter to estimate “s”:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{s}_1 &= K(h_1^* y[2n] + h_2 y^*[2n+1]) \\ \hat{s}_1 &= K(h_2^* y[2n] - h_1 y^*[2n+1]) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$K = \frac{\sqrt{2/E_s}}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2 + 2N_0/E_s}$$

It is like having two independent channels

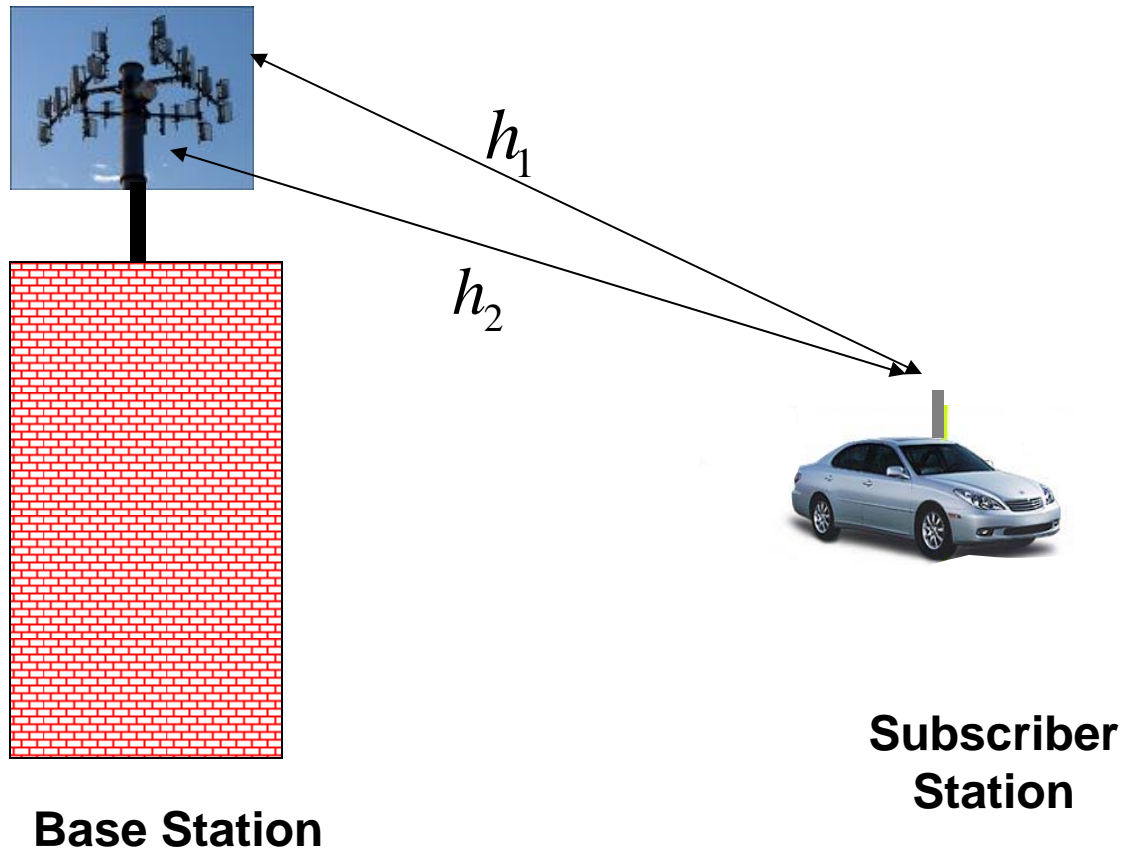


$$SNR = \frac{\|h\|^2}{2} \frac{E_s}{N_0}$$

$$\|h\|^2 = |h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \chi_4^2$$

Apart from the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ , it has the same SNR as the **receive diversity of order 2**.

## WiMax Implementation



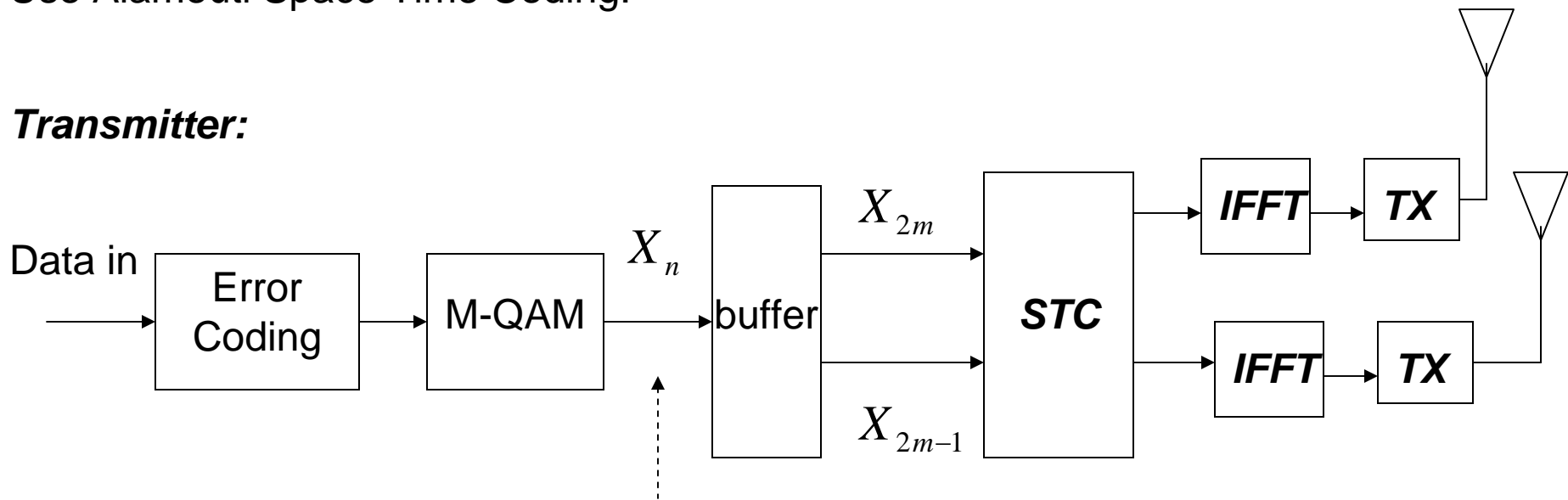
**Down Link (DL): BS -> SS    Transmit Diversity**

**Uplink (UL):        SS->BS    Receive Diversity**

## Down Link: Transmit Diversity

Use Alamouti Space Time Coding:

**Transmitter:**



Block to be transmitted

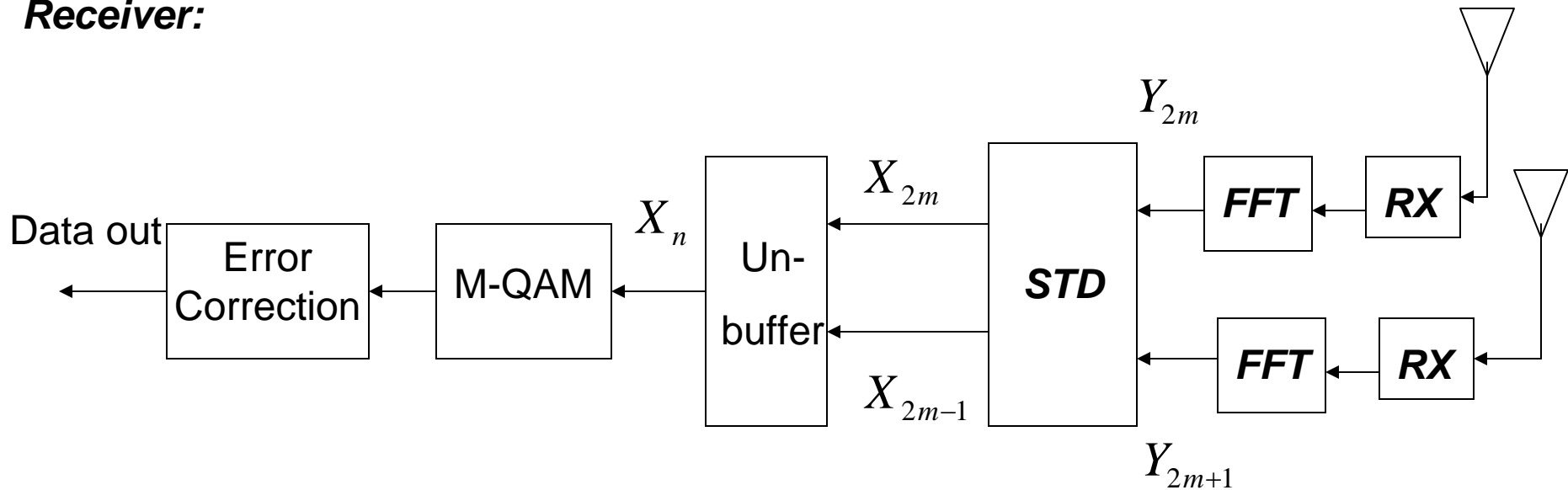
### Space Time Coding

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_{2m} & - & X_{2m-1}^* \\ X_{2m-1} & & X_{2m}^* \end{array}$$

time

The diagram shows a timeline with two points marked  $2m$  and  $2m+1$ . The signal  $X_{2m}$  is transmitted at time  $2m$ , and  $X_{2m-1}$  is transmitted at time  $2m+1$ . The signal  $X_{2m-1}^*$  is transmitted at time  $2m$ , and  $X_{2m}^*$  is transmitted at time  $2m+1$ .

### Receiver:



### Space Time Decoding:

For each subcarrier  $k$   
compute:  $\longrightarrow$

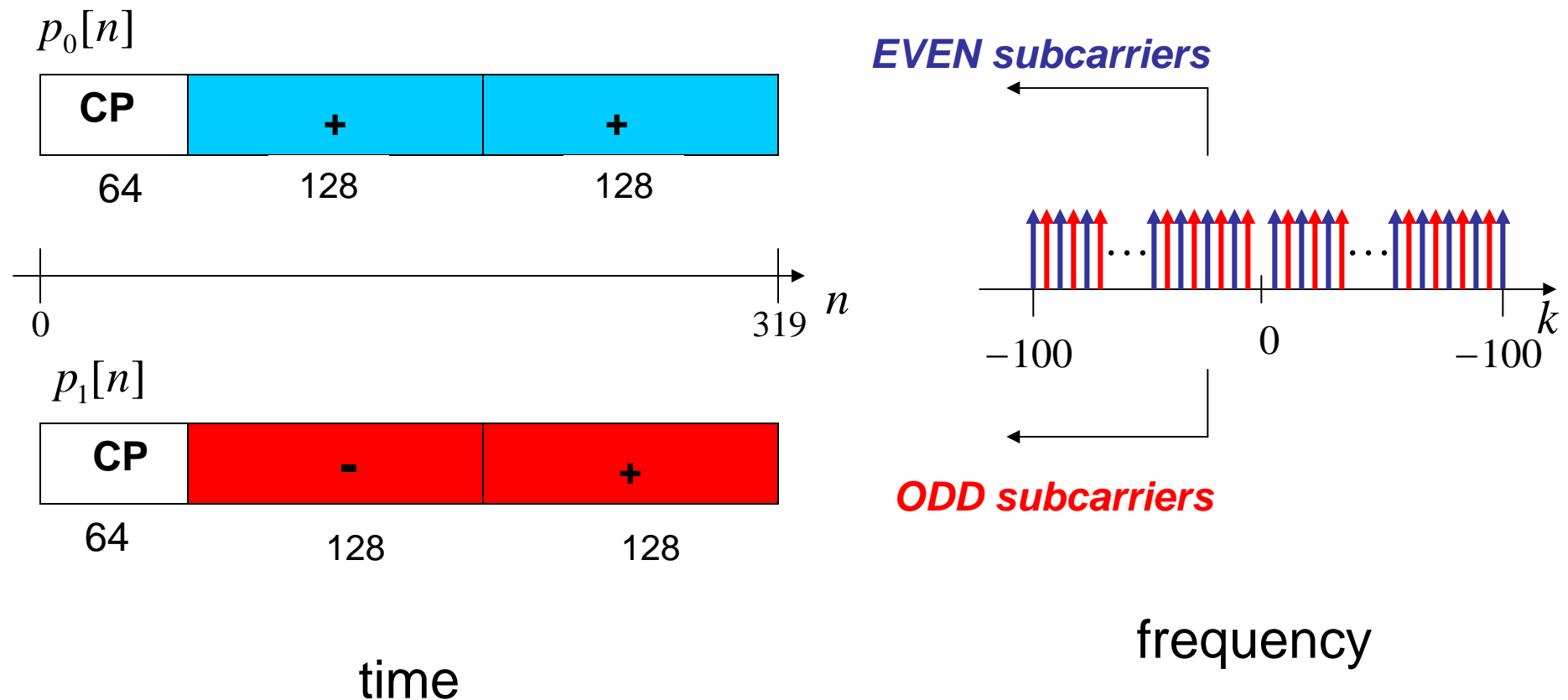
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{X}_{2m}[k] &= K \left( H_1^*[k] Y_{2m}[k] + H_2[k] Y_{2m+1}^*[k] \right) \\ \hat{X}_{2m-1}[k] &= K \left( H_2^*[k] Y_{2m}[k] - H_1[k] Y_{2m+1}^*[k] \right)\end{aligned}$$

with

$$K = \frac{\sqrt{2/E_s}}{|H_1[k]|^2 + |H_2[k]|^2 + 2N_0/E_s}$$

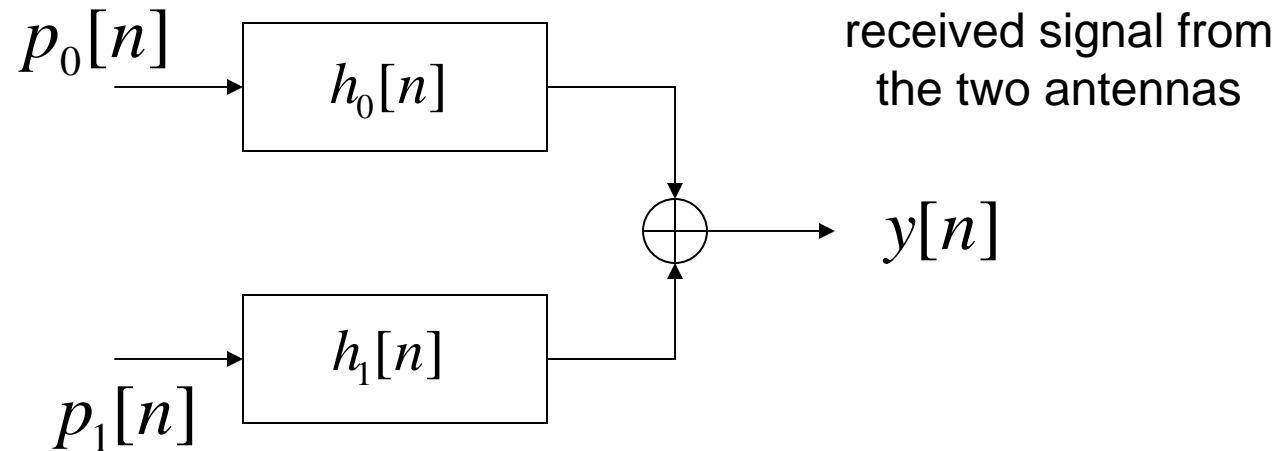
# Preamble, Synchronization and Channel Estimation with Transmit Diversity (DL)

The two antennas transmit two preambles at the same time, using different sets of subcarriers



Both preambles have a symmetry:

$$\begin{aligned} p_0[n] &= p_0[n-128] \\ p_1[n] &= -p_1[n-128] \end{aligned} \quad n = 128, \dots, 319$$

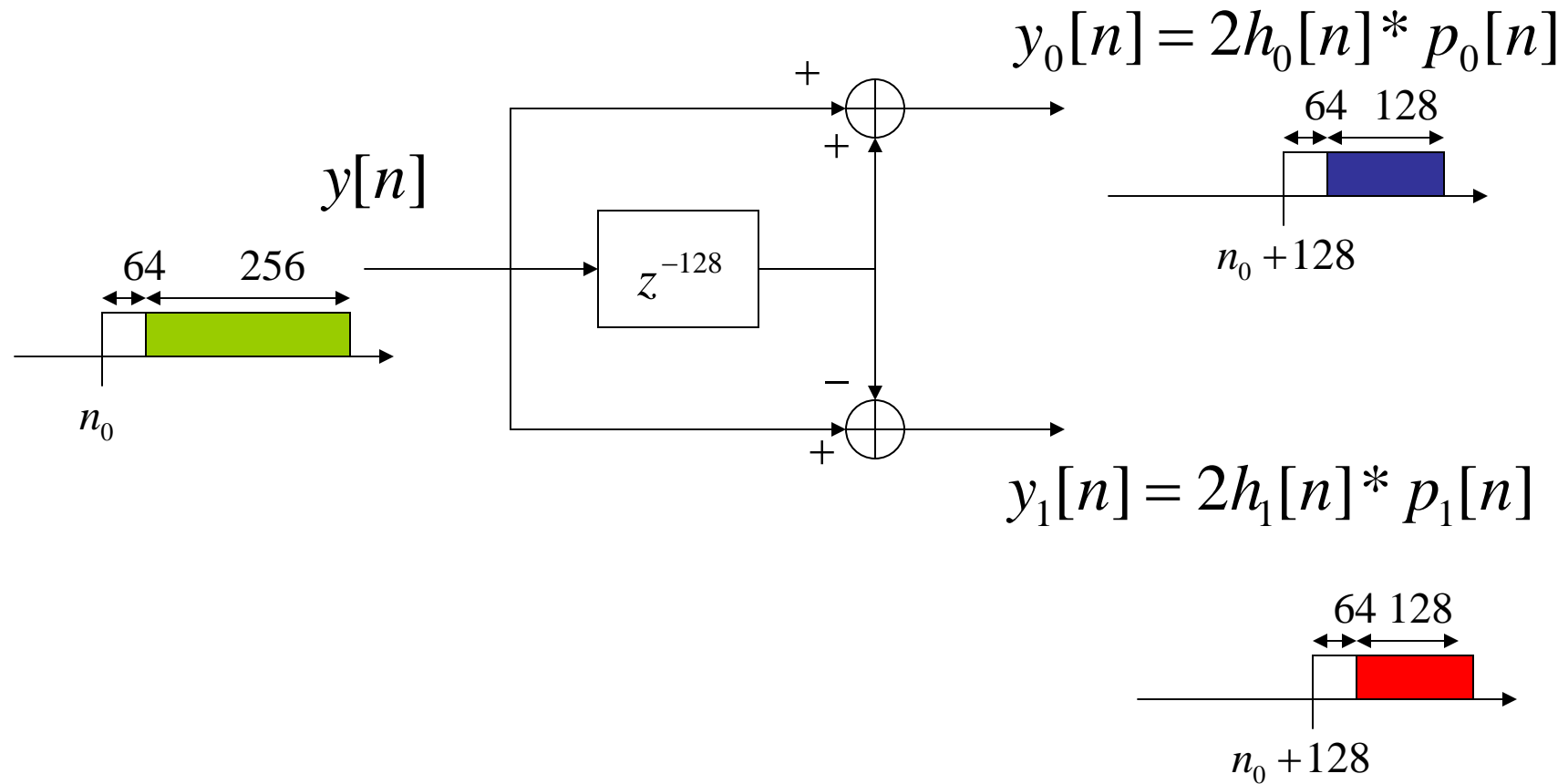


**Problems:**

- time synchronization
- estimation of both channels



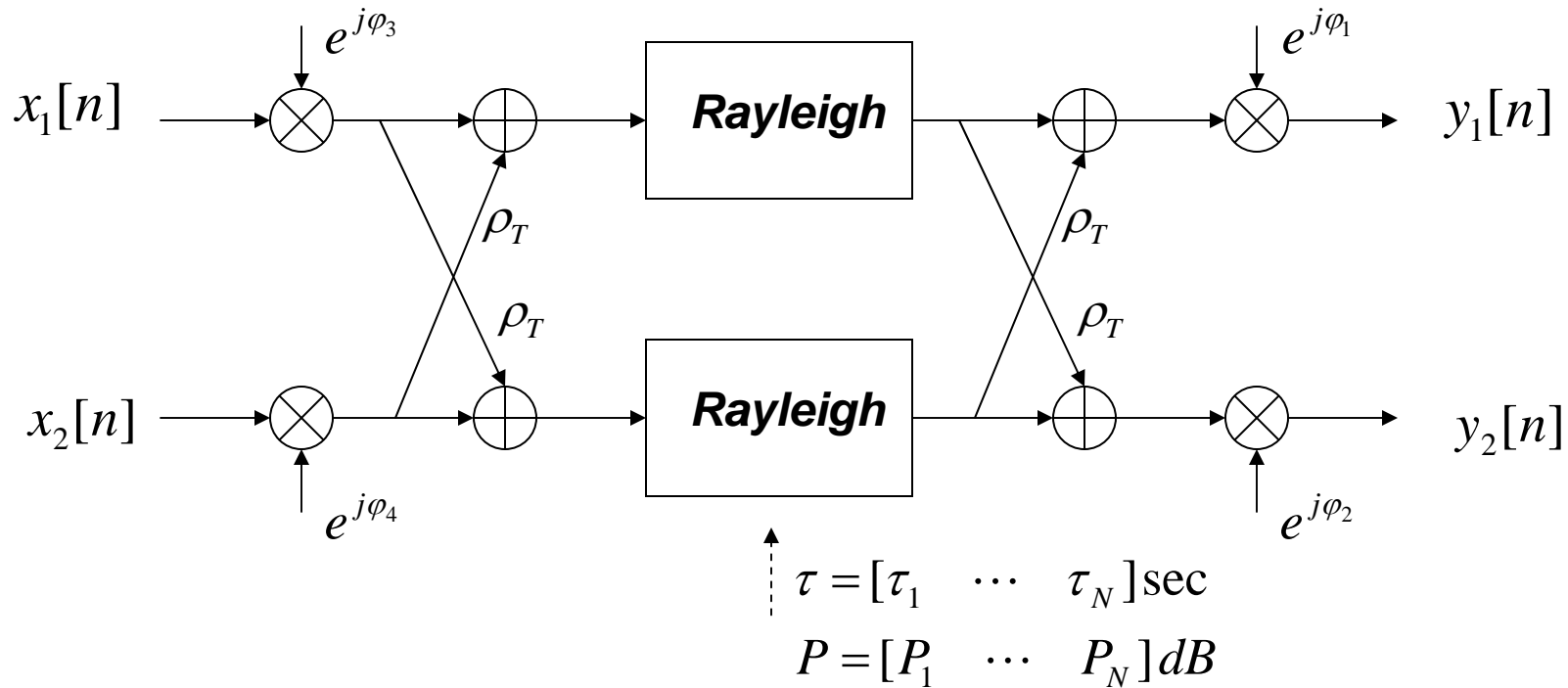
One possibility: use symmetry of the preambles



The two preambles can be easily separated

## MIMO Channel Simulation

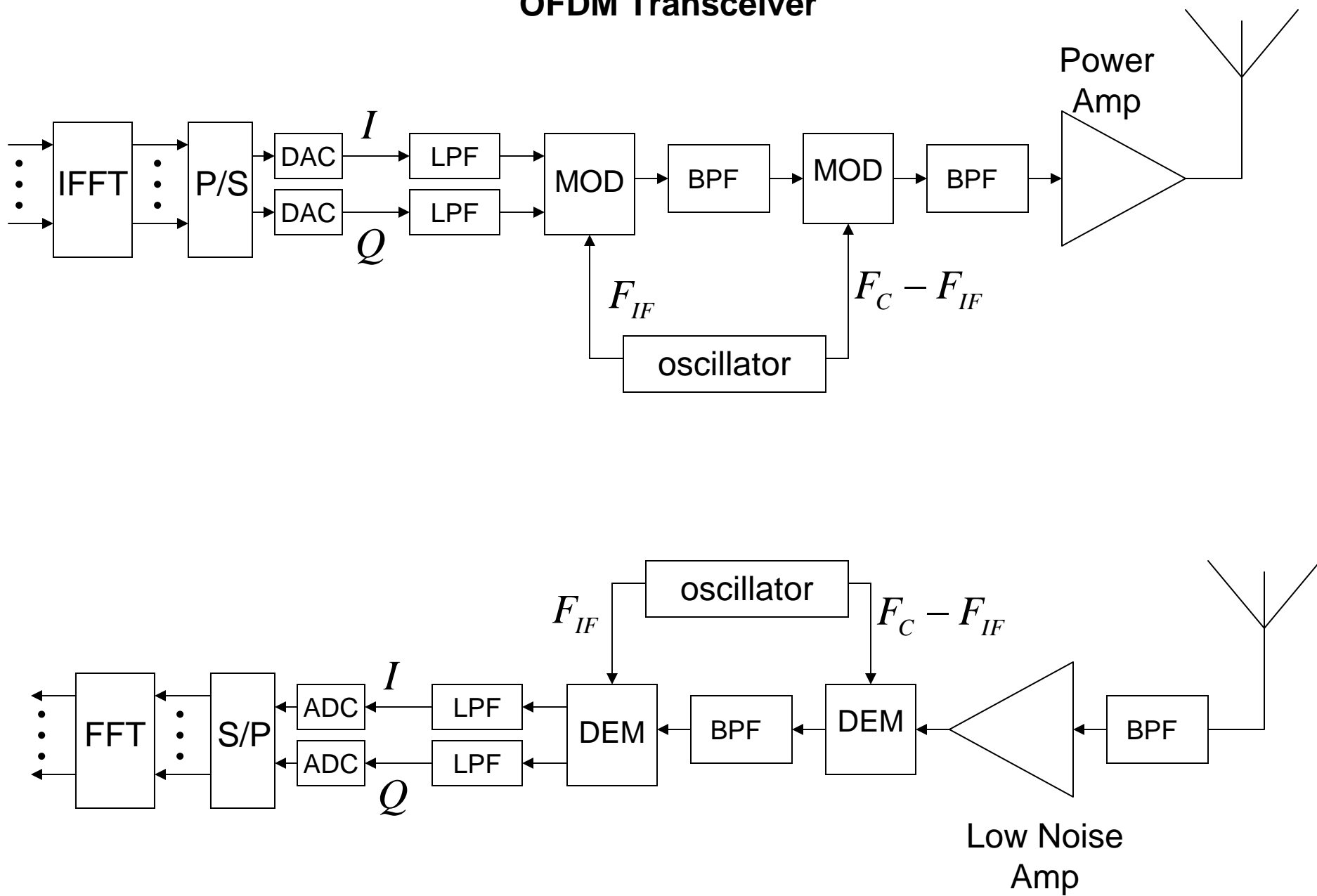
Take the general 2x2 channel



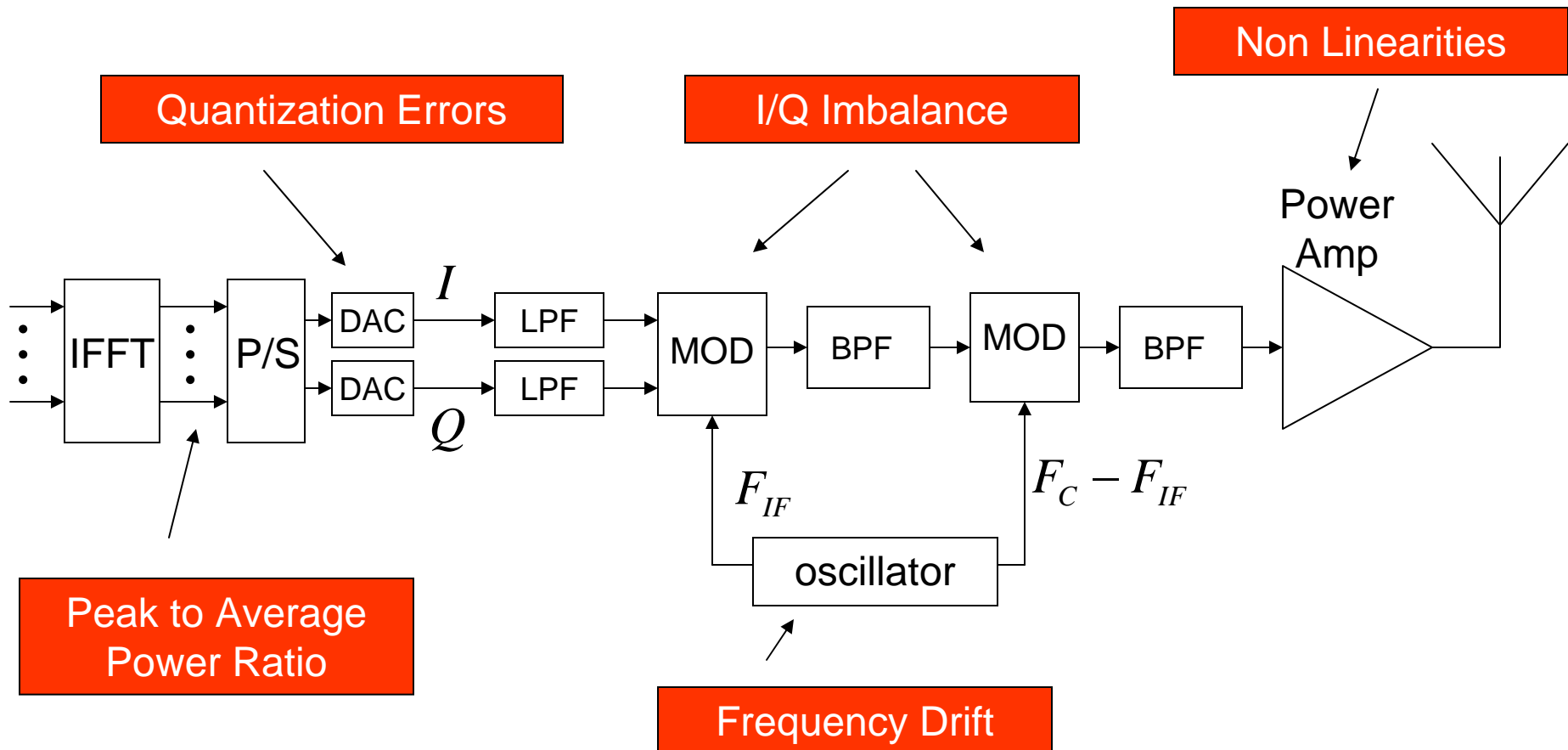
$0 \leq \rho_T \leq 1$  Correlation at the transmitter

$0 \leq \rho_R \leq 1$  Correlation at the receiver

## OFDM Transceiver



## Problems!!!

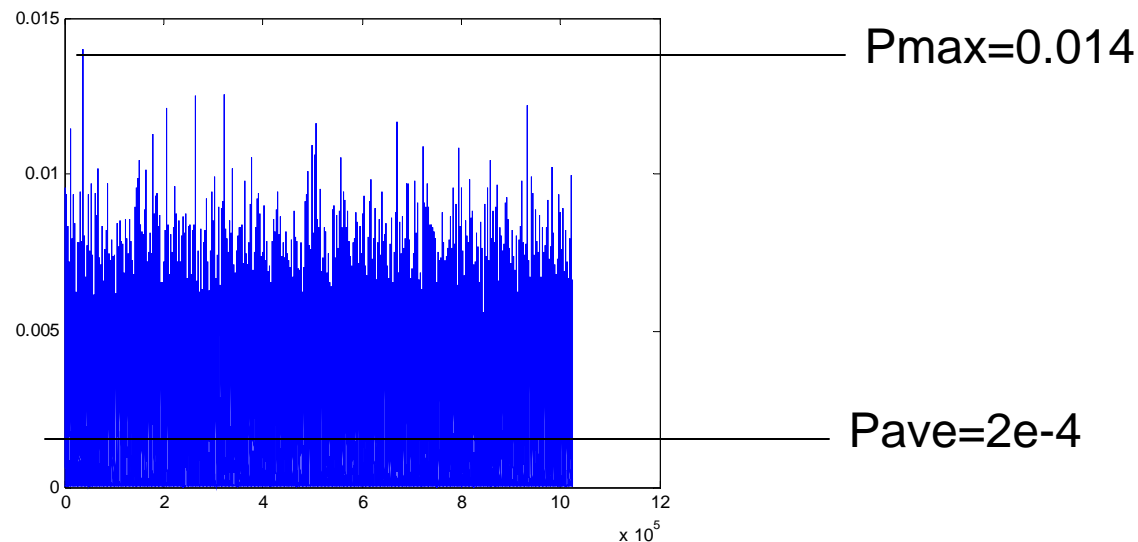


- **Peak to Average Power Ratio (PAR)**

A Single Carrier QPSK signal has a constant amplitude, since only the phase is modulated.

A Multi Carrier OFDM signal has a random amplitude.

Example: see an OFDM signal with 1024 subcarriers. Plot 1,000 OFDM symbols



$$P_{max}/P_{ave}=66.88=18\text{dB}$$

### Effects:

- On the ADC: larger number of bits to accommodate large dynamics
- On the Power Amplifier: it has to be linear within a wider range

### Remedies:

- the signal needs to be clipped to avoid saturating the amplifier
- the output power of the signal has to be reduced

### Cause of large peaks:

OFDM signal is a sum of sinusoids. When all in phase, the sum can be large (peak value) with respect to the average.

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} Y[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n}$$

Assume all subcarriers  $Y[k]$  are i.i.d.:

Average Power: 
$$E\{|y[n]|^2\} = \left| \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} E\{|Y[k]|^2\} \right| = \frac{1}{N} E\{|Y[k]|^2\}$$

Peak Power when all subcarriers are aligned: 
$$E\{|y[n]|^2 | Y[k] = |Y|\} \leq |Y|^2$$

$$\frac{P_{Peak}}{P_{Ave}} \propto N \quad \text{It increases with the number of subcarriers}$$

## How bad is PAR?

### Probability Distribution of PAR

By the Central Limit Theorem the received signal  $y[n]$  is gaussian

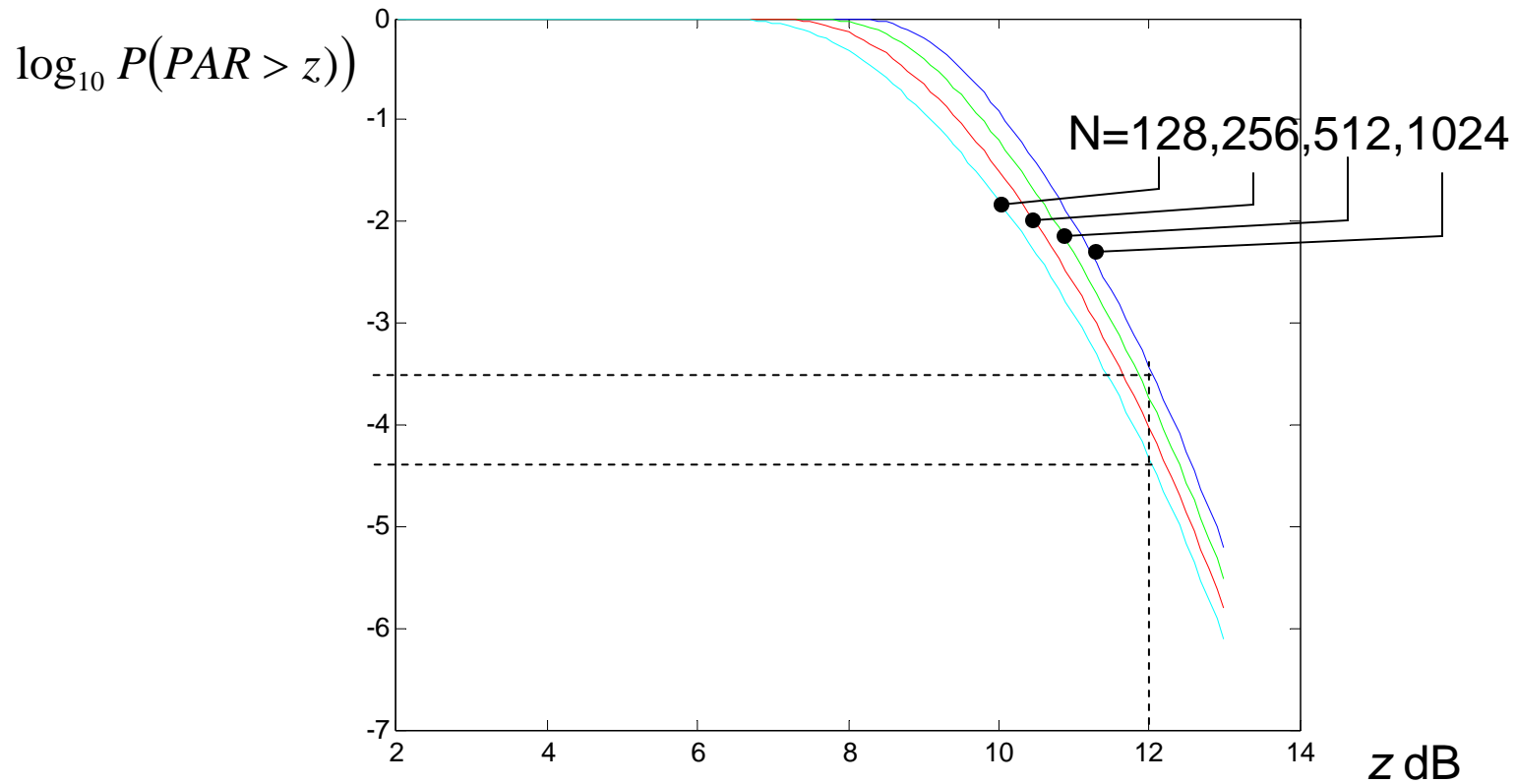
The amplitude is Rayleigh distributed and the power is Chi-square.

Therefore we can compute the Cumulative Density Function analytically:

$$\Pr \{ PAR > z \} = \left( 1 - \left( 1 - e^{-z} \right)^{2.8N} \right)$$

fairly accurate for number of carriers  $N \geq 64$





Notice:

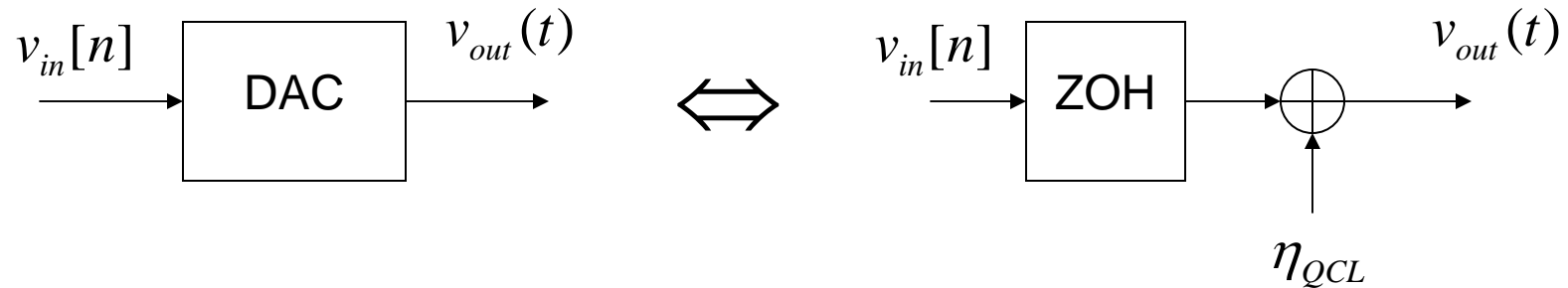
1. The probability that  $PAR=N$ , the number of subcarriers, is almost zero;
2. The probability that  $PAR>4=12$ dB is of the order of  $10^{-4.5} - 10^{-3.5}$

## Remedies:

1. Data randomizing: if there is an error due to PAR, resend the data and most likely it will be fine
2. Clipping: easy thing to do, at the expenses of introducing errors
3. Coding: potentially the best, but still not reliable solutions (not in the standard)
4. A number of iterative techniques: too complex for real time implementation

# Effects of PAR on Digital to Analog Converters (DAC)

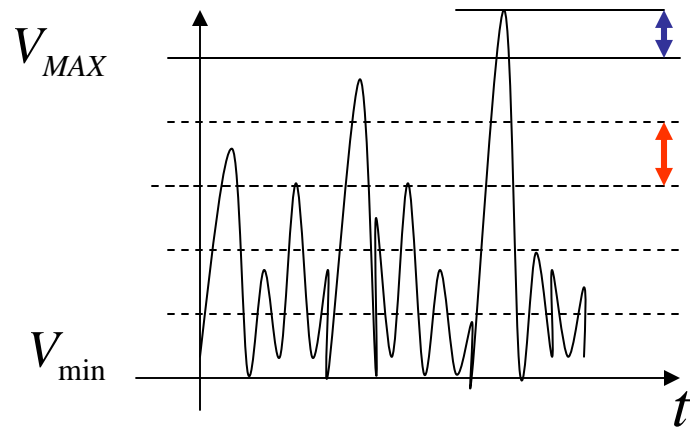
For a fixed number of bits, we need to compromise between two sources of errors:



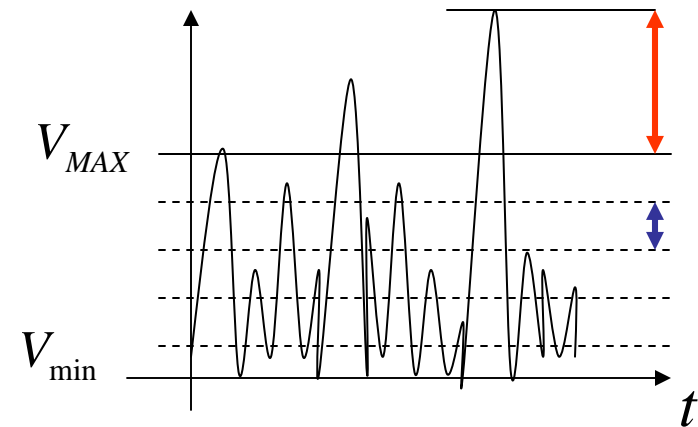
In the DAC there are two sources of errors:

- Quantization Error;
- Saturation error due to clipping

## Compromise between Number of Bits in DAC and Clipping Level

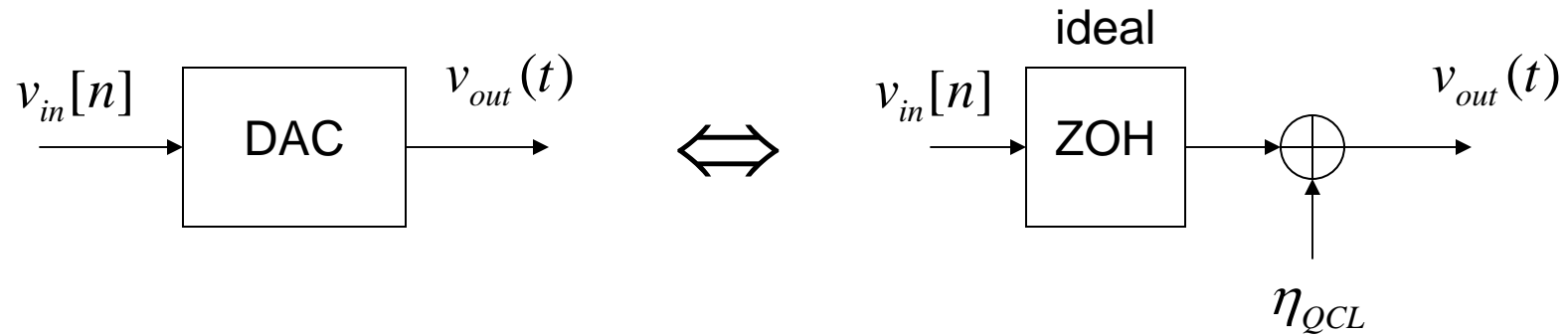


Small clipping error, Large  
Quantization Noise



Large clipping error, Small  
Quantization Noise

We choose Clipping Level for best compromise between clipping error and quantization noise.



Total SNR due to Q and CL:  $SNR_{QCL} = \left( SNR_Q^{-1} + SNR_{CL}^{-1} \right)^{-1}$

SNR due to Q :  $SNR_Q = \frac{12 \times 2^{2b}}{(2\mu)^2}$

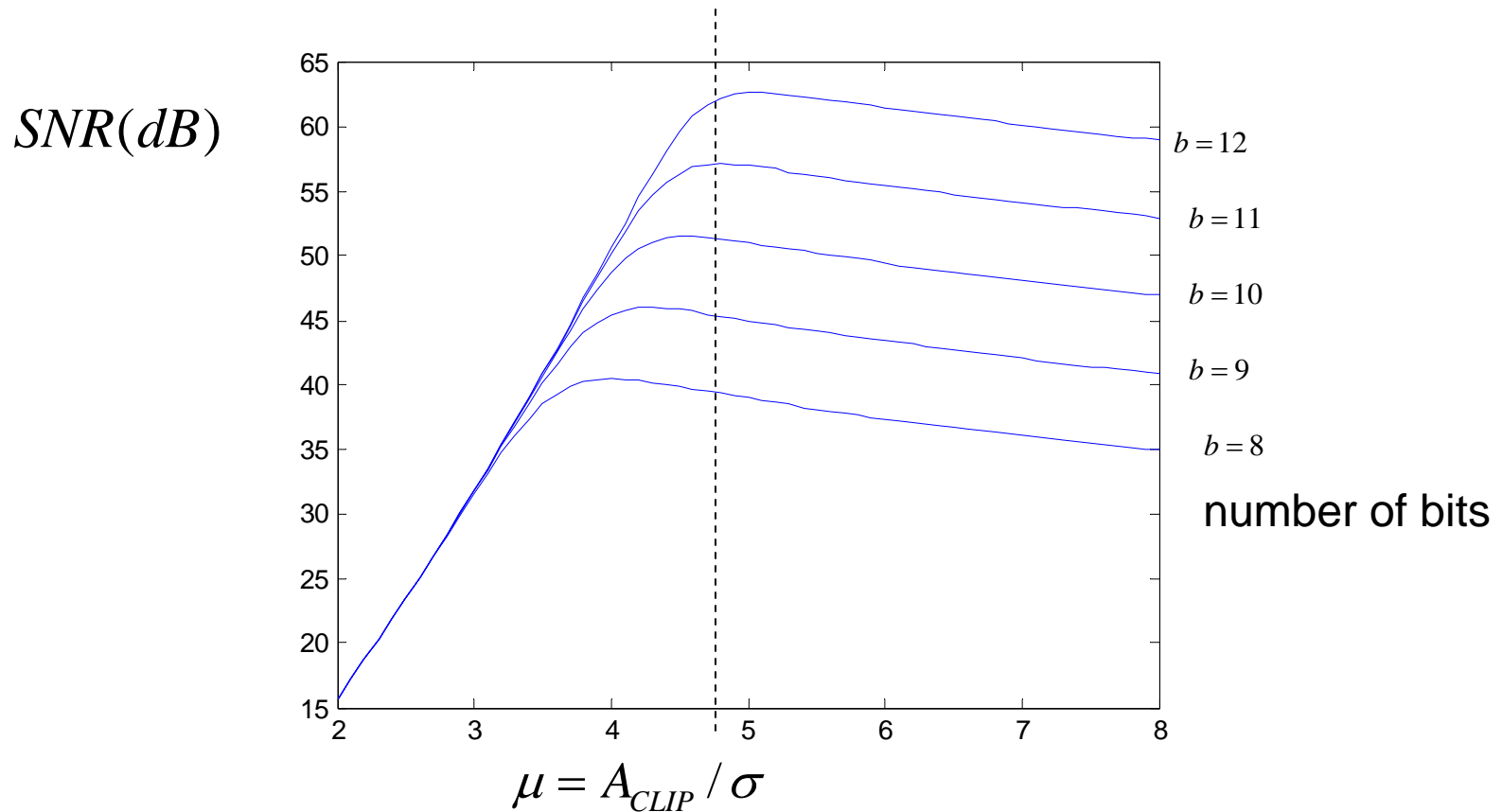
SNR due to CL :  $SNR_{CL} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \mu^3 e^{\mu^2/2}$

where  $\mu = A_{CLIP} / \sigma$   
 $\sigma = \sqrt{E\{|x[n]|^2\}}$

$b$  = number of bits per sample

See both combined:

MAX around  $\mu = A_{CLIP} / \sigma = 4 - 5$

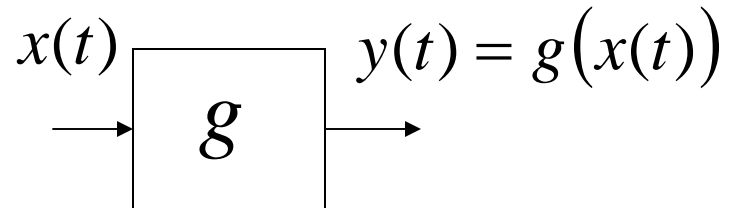


Choose max clipping value:  $V_{MAX} \approx 4\sqrt{E\{|v_{in}[n]|^2\}}$

We have seen that the probability that  $PAR > 4 = 12dB$  is very small.

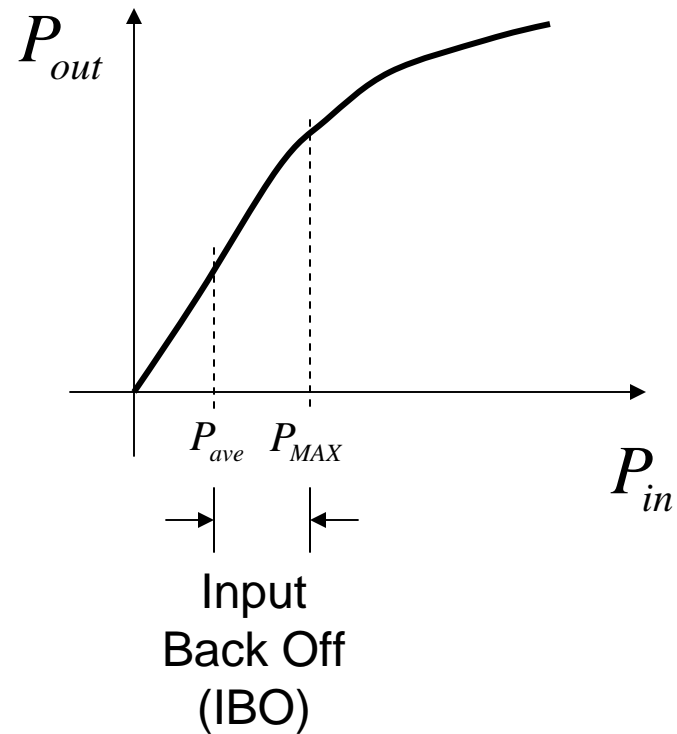
# Effects of PAR on Power Amplifiers

Rapp's model of a Power Amplifier:



$$g(x) = \frac{1}{(1 + x^{2p})^{\frac{1}{2p}}}$$

$p$  of the order of 3



Ideally you want the Input Back Off (IBO) to be larger than the PAR.

$$IBO = 10\log_{10} \frac{P_{MAX}}{P_{ave}} > PAR$$

$$PAR \leq 10\log_{10} N$$

This can be excessive and very inefficient.

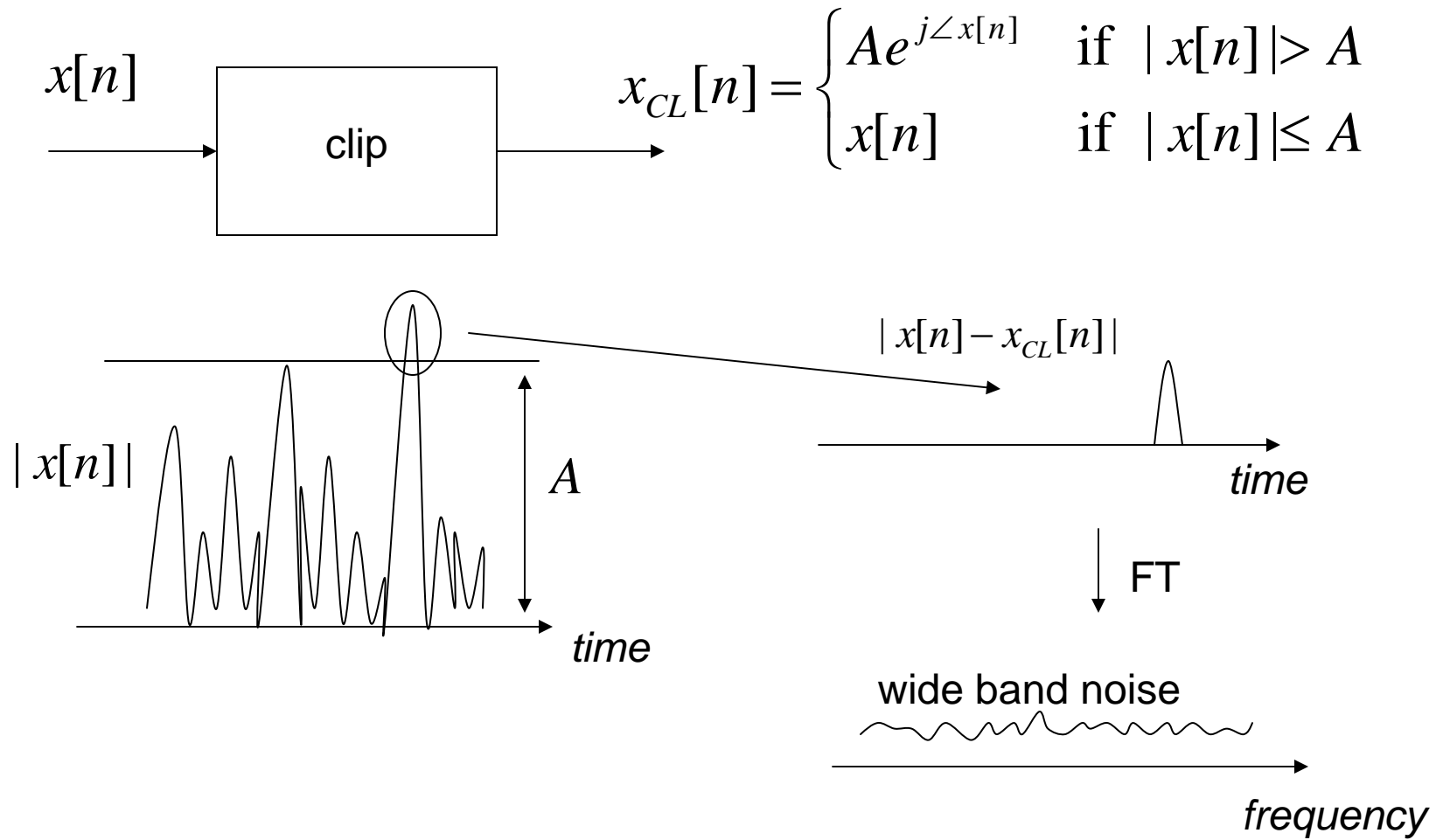
Example: with  $N=256$  carriers you need a IBO of

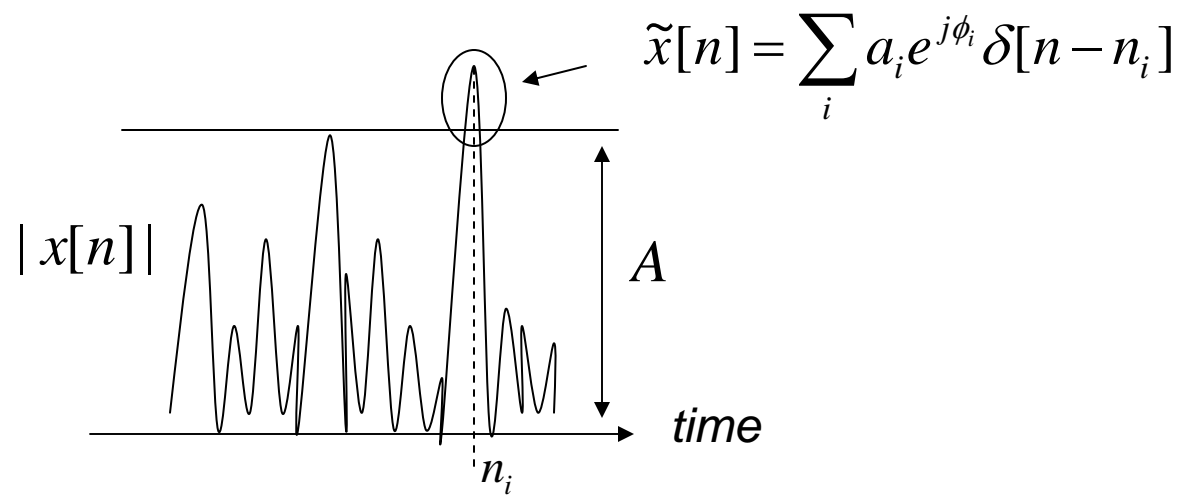
$$IBO = PAR = 256 = 24dB$$

to guarantee that the amplifier always operates in the linear region.

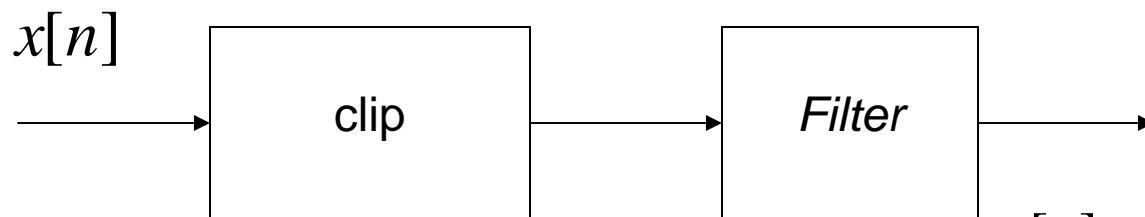


## Remedies: Clipping



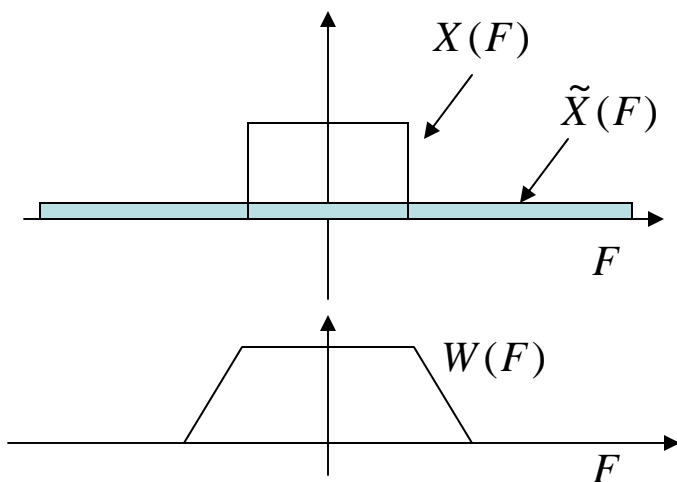


$$x_{CL}[n] = x[n] - \tilde{x}[n]$$



$$x_W[n] = x[n] * w[n] - \sum_i a_i e^{j\phi_i} w[n - n_i]$$

$$\cong x[n] - \sum_i a_i e^{j\phi_i} w[n - n_i]$$



It has two effects:

1. Additive Noise in the demodulated subcarriers
2. It generates out of band noise, so we need to add a Low Pass Filter

The latter is not allowed, since it interferes with neighboring channels.

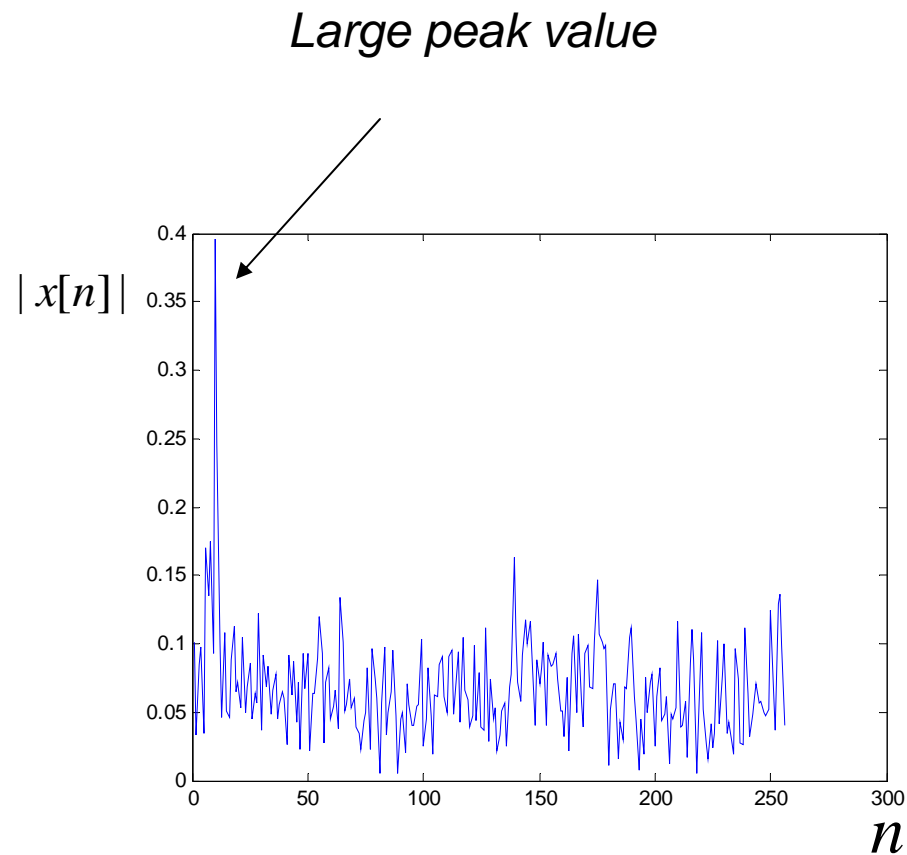
Example:

See one of OFDM symbol with the following parameters (this is not random but chosen with high PAR):

FFT length  $N=256$

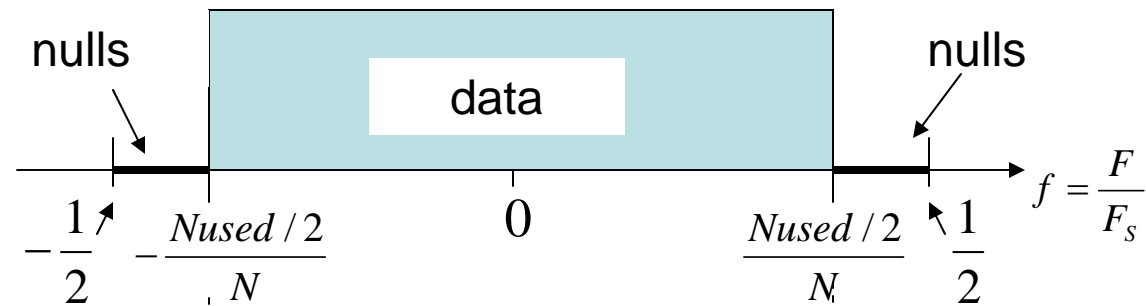
Data Carriers:  $N_{\text{used}}=200$

Modulation: 4QAM

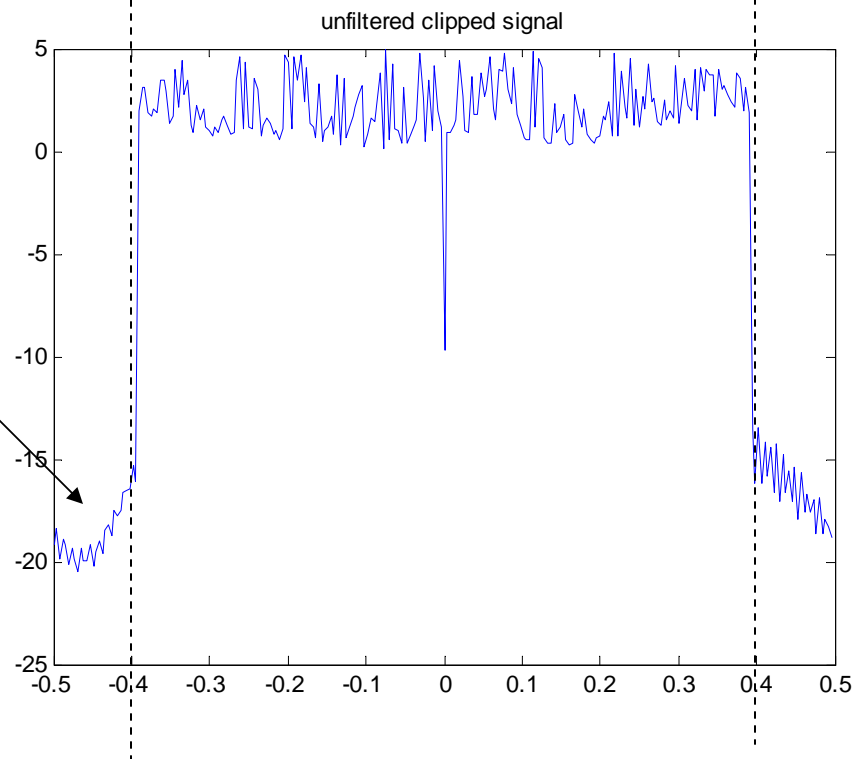


Clip it to 5dB (no filtering):

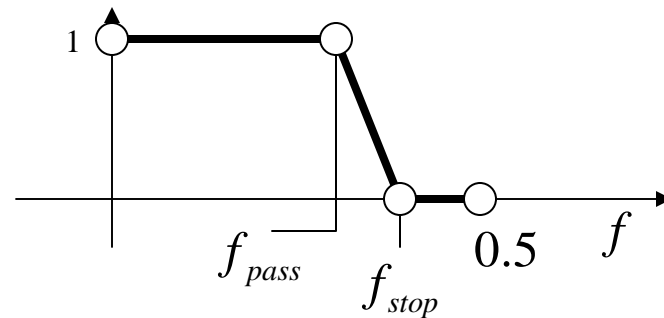
See the Frequency Spectrum:



Large values in  
the freq. guards



Choose a filter with this characteristics:



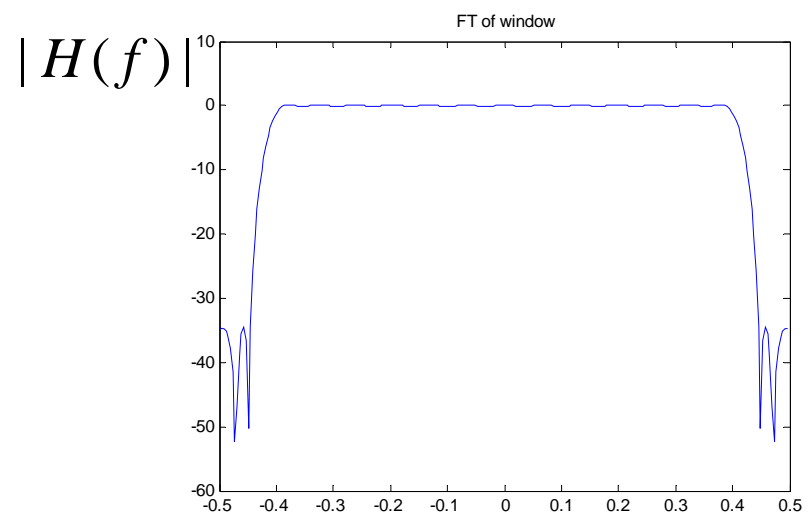
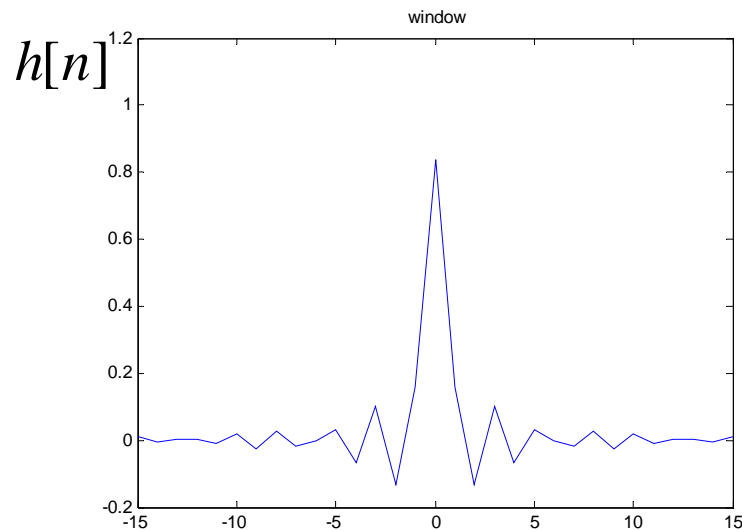
$$f_{pass} = N_{used} / (2N)$$

$$f_{pass} < f_{stop} < 1/2$$

In matlab: use *firpm*

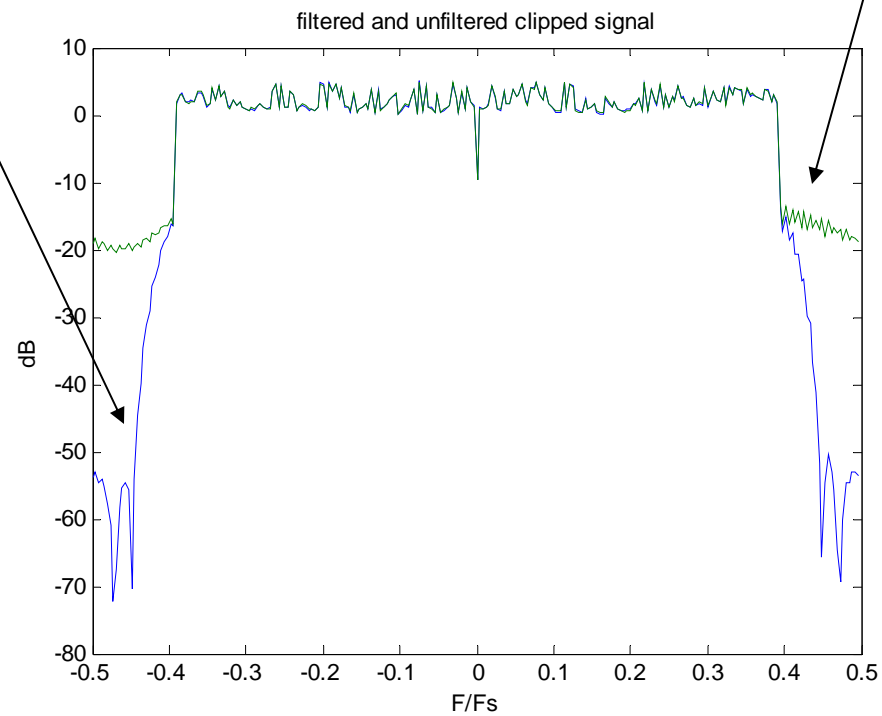
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h=firpm(M, [0,fpass,fstop,0.5]*2, [1,1,0,0]);
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↑  
filter order, say M=40

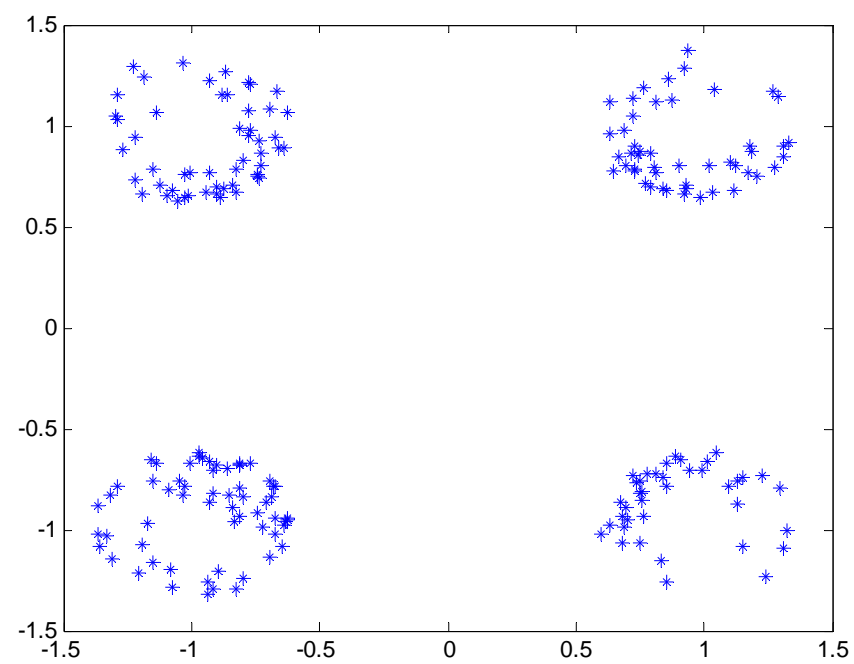


Clipped and Filtered:

Clipped only (no filter)



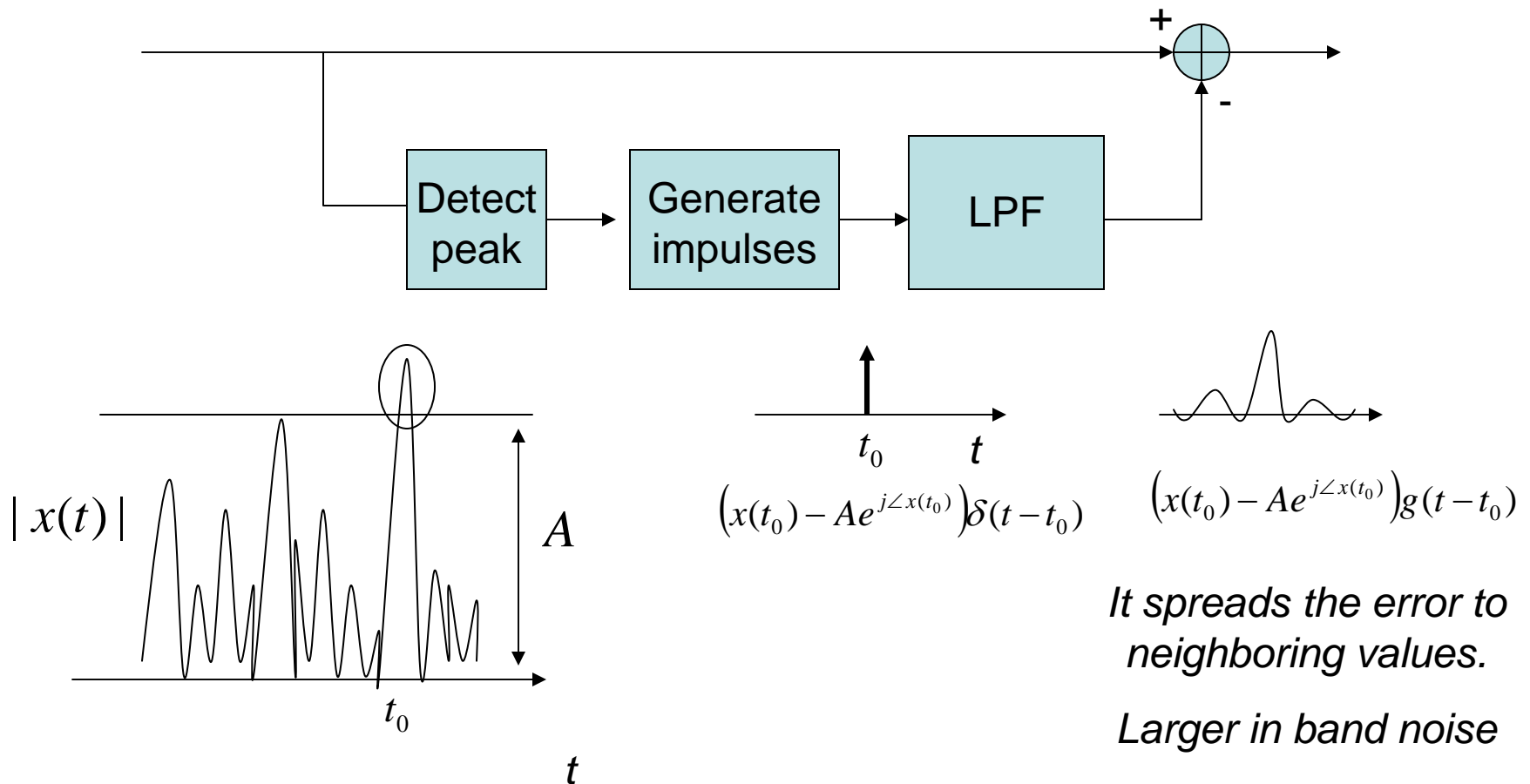
Negative effect on data!!!





## Peak Cancellation

Detect and Cancel the peak to reduce out of band noise.



Effects:

- The LPF completely controls the out of band noise. It can be completely eliminated;
- It reduced PAR and therefore the Input Back Off.
- It causes an increase of in band noise and therefore a higher BER.

## Effect of I/Q Imbalance

Ideally the received signal is of the form

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} Y[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} = y_I[n] + jy_Q[n]$$

In practice the I and Q components have different gains, as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y}[n] &= A_I e^{j\varphi_I} y_I[n] + jA_Q e^{j\varphi_Q} y_Q[n] \\ &= \bar{A} e^{j\bar{\varphi}} \left( (1 + \delta) e^{j\varepsilon} y_I[n] + j(1 - \delta) e^{-j\varepsilon} y_Q[n] \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{with } \bar{A} &= \frac{A_I + A_Q}{2} & \delta &= \frac{A_I - A_Q}{A_I + A_Q} \\ \bar{\varphi} &= \frac{\varphi_I + \varphi_Q}{2} & \varepsilon &= \frac{\varphi_I - \varphi_Q}{\varphi_I + \varphi_Q} \end{aligned}$$

The two parameters  $\delta, \varepsilon$  express the magnitude and phase of the I/Q imbalance.

Assume them small:

$$(1 + \delta)e^{j\varepsilon} \cong (1 + \delta)(1 + j\varepsilon) \cong 1 + \delta + j\varepsilon$$

$$(1 - \delta)e^{-j\varepsilon} \cong (1 - \delta)(1 - j\varepsilon) \cong 1 - \delta - j\varepsilon$$

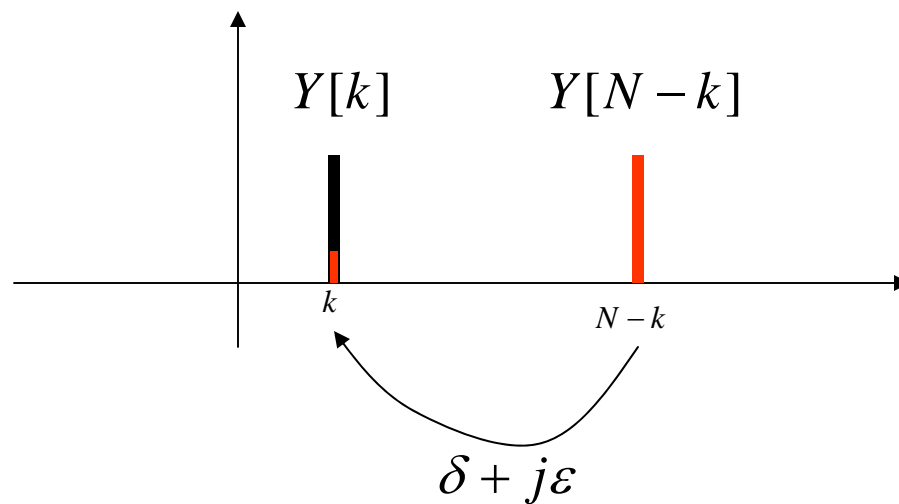
After a bit of algebra:

$$\bar{y}[n] = \bar{A}e^{j\bar{\varphi}} \left( y[n] + (\delta + j\varepsilon) y^*[n] \right)$$

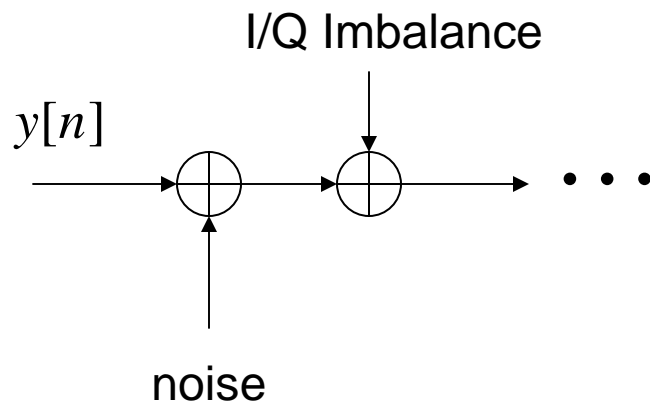
Substitute:  $y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} Y[k]e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{N}n}$

to obtain: 
$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y}[n] &= \bar{A}e^{j\bar{\varphi}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} Y[k]e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{N}n} + (\delta + j\varepsilon) \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} Y^*[\ell]e^{-j\ell\frac{2\pi}{N}n} \right) \\ &= \bar{A}e^{j\bar{\varphi}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left( Y[k] + (\delta + j\varepsilon)Y^*[N-k] \right) e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{N}n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

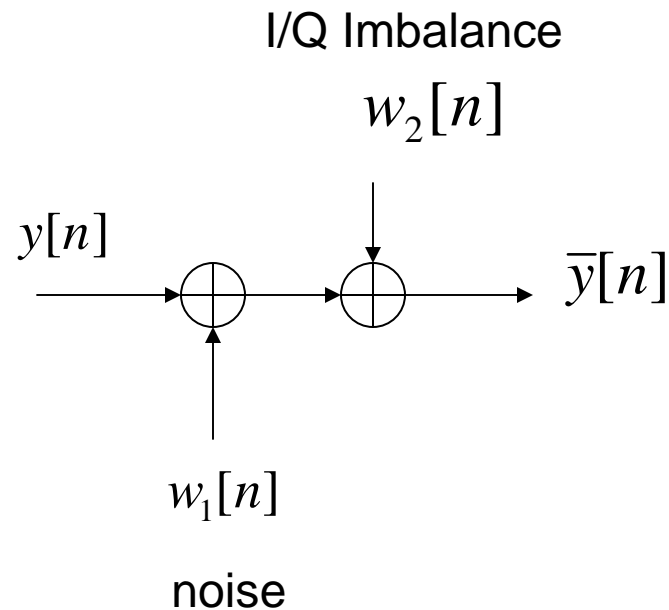
The effect is subcarrier  $N-k$  leaking into subcarrier  $k$



It is as having extra noise added to the signal:



The factor  $|\delta + j\varepsilon|$  is called Negative Frequency Rejection and it can be modeled as covariance of additive noise.



Define:

$$SNR_i = 10 \log \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

Implementation Loss:

$$10 \log \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} - 10 \log \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\sigma_1^2} = -10 \log \left( 1 + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2} \right) = -10 \log \left( 1 + 10^{\frac{SNR_1 - SNR_2}{10}} \right)$$

Example: let

$$SNR_{noise} = 20dB$$

$$SNR_{IQ} = 35dB$$

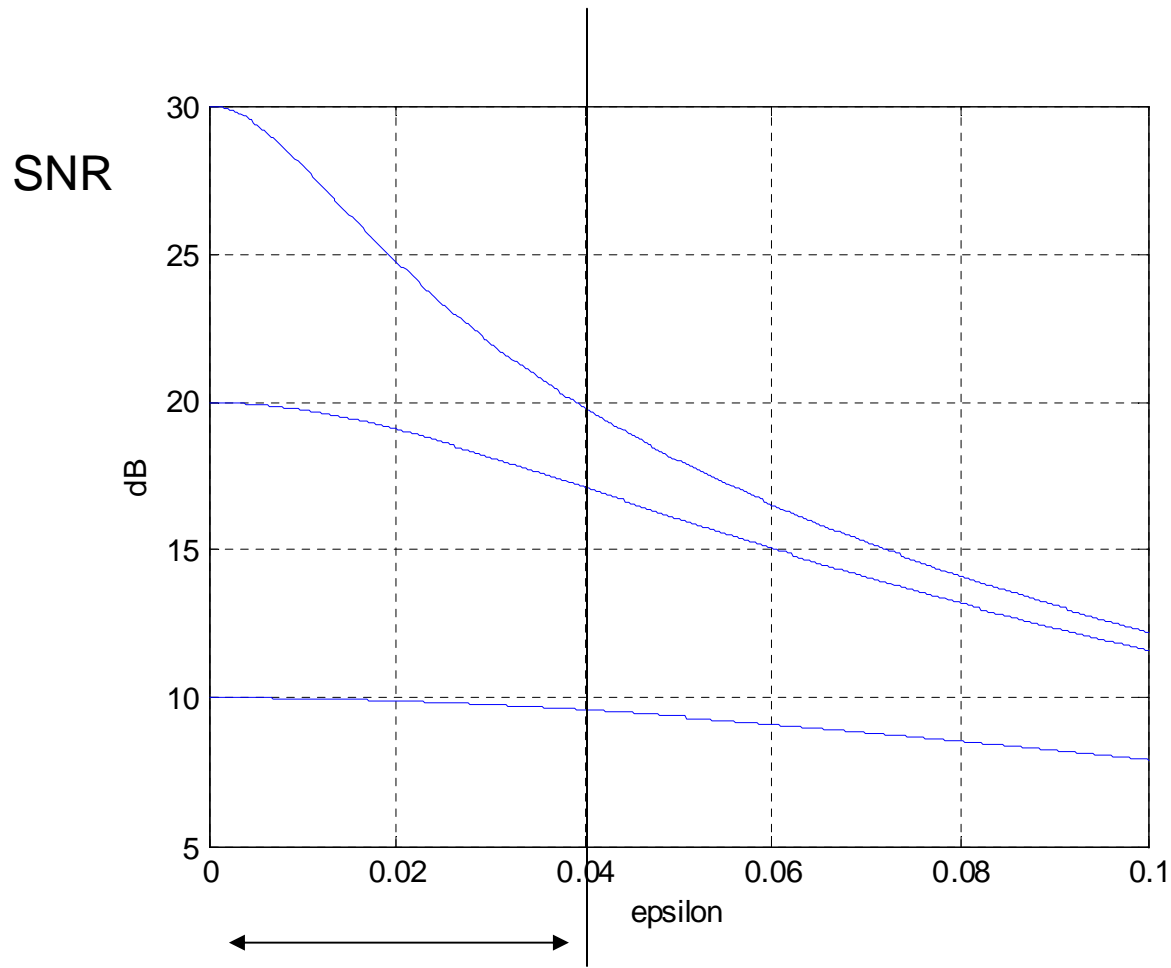
$$\text{Implementation Loss} \quad -10\log\left(1 + 10^{\frac{20-35}{10}}\right) = -0.135$$

$$\text{Total SNR:} \quad SNR_{noise} + IL = 20 - 0.135 = 18.65dB$$

# Frequency Synchronization

- Drifts and errors in the oscillator frequencies cause a frequency offset, like a doppler shift;
- This causes loss of subcarriers orthogonality and Inter Carrier Interference (ICI).
- The effect of ICI can be modeled as additive noise, which can be quantified

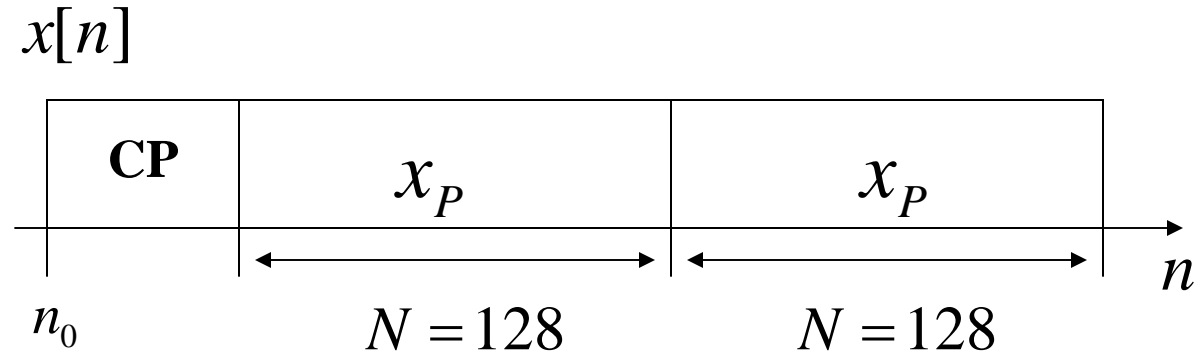




Fact: to maintain satisfactory SNR we need to limit the frequency offset to

$$\varepsilon = \frac{|\Delta F|}{F_s / N} \leq 4\%$$

- Frequency Synchronization from Long Preamble.



If there is a frequency offset (due to oscillator drifts or doppler shift) the received signal has an extra phase term

$$y[n] = y_0[n]e^{j2\pi\Delta f n}$$

with  $\Delta f$  the digital frequency offset. Take the two received parts of the long preamble:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1[n] &= y_0[n]e^{j(2\pi\Delta f n + \alpha)} + w_1[n] \\ y_2[n] &= y_0[n]e^{j(2\pi\Delta f (n+N) + \alpha)} + w_2[n] \end{aligned} \quad n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

Comparing the two in vector form:

$$y_2 = y_1 e^{j2\pi\Delta f N} + w$$

where  $y_i = [y_i[0] \ \cdots \ y_i[N-1]]^T$

Then:

$$y_1^{*T} y_2 = \|y_1\|^2 e^{j2\pi\Delta f N} + y_1^{*T} w$$

which yields the estimate of the frequency offset

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{2\pi N} \arctan \left( \frac{\text{Im} \{ y_1^{*T} y_2 \}}{\text{Re} \{ y_1^{*T} y_2 \}} \right)$$

Since,  $|\arctan| < \pi$  then the frequency offset has to be at the most  $|\Delta f| < \frac{1}{2N}$

with  $N$  being the FFT length.